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1. **Adoption of the agenda**

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The Council adopted the above agenda.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

2. **Approval of the list of "A" items**

14704/16 PTS A 95

The Council adopted the 'A' items listed in 14704/16.

3. **European Consensus on Development**

The Council held an orientation discussion in response to the adoption by the Commission on 26 November 2016 of the Communication on a New European Consensus on Development - Our World, our Dignity, our Future.

The Council broadly welcomed the Communication as a good basis for future discussion with a view to the signature of the New Consensus, in the form of a joint statement by the Council and the representatives of the Governments of the Member States meeting within the Council, the European Parliament and the Commission, during the first half of 2017.

Hungary entered a reserve on the language used in the Commission Communication regarding the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR).

4. **Post-Cotonou Framework**

The Council held an orientation debate on the Joint Communication "Towards a renewed partnership with African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries after 2020", adopted by the Commission and the High Representative on 22 November 2016. It discussed the various options proposed in the Communication for the future partnership and decided to revert to the issue.

5. Energy and Development

= Draft Council conclusions

14336/16 DEVGEN 245 ACP 154 RELEX 941 ENER 381

The Council held a broad discussion on the link between energy and development policy, with particular emphasis on Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development.

The Council adopted conclusions on Energy and Development.

6. Migration and Development

The Council held an exchange of views on the implementation of the Partnership Framework, in particular on the progress made with the five priority countries, Ethiopia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria and Senegal.

The Council received an update on the follow-up to the Valletta Summit with a view to preparing the Senior Official Meeting in February 2017.

7. Any other business

No items were raised under this heading.
