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1. Adoption of the agenda

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The Council adopted the above agenda.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

2. <u>Approval of the list of "A" items</u> 5953/16 PTS A 8

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The Council adopted the "A" items listed in:

- 1) <u>5953/16</u>
- 2) <u>5953/16 ADD 1</u>:
 - 5. Draft Council conclusions on EU priorities at UN Human Rights Fora in 2016 5851/16 COPS 42 COHOM 11 CONUN 21 COASI 8 MAMA 25 COEST 15 COAFR 23 CFSP/PESC 91 GENDER 6 + ADD 1

approved by Coreper, Part 2, on 15.02.2016

- Draft Council conclusions on Burundi 5879/16 COAFR 25 CFSP/PESC 97 ACP 23 RELEX 86 COHOM 12 approved by Coreper, Part 2, on 15.02.2016
- 7. Draft Council conclusions on Somalia
 5880/16 COAFR 26 CFSP/PESC 98 COHAFA 5 COHOM 13 POLMIL 13 CSDP/PSDC 70 CIVCOM 22 MIGR 15 ATALANTA 2 + COR 1 approved by Coreper, Part 2, on 15.02.2016

3. <u>Climate diplomacy</u>

a) European climate diplomacy after COP21 : Elements for continued climate diplomacy in 2016

5853/16 DEVGEN 16 CLIMA 5 COPS 43 CFSP/PESC 92 ENV 50 ONU 10 RELEX 88 CSDP/PSDC 71

b) Draft Council conclusions on European climate diplomacy after COP21 6049/16 DEVGEN 19 CLIMA 11 COPS 50 CFSP/PESC 122 ENV 64 ONU 14 RELEX 100 CSDP/PSDC 87

The Council underlined the need to continue to engage with international partners, at bilateral

and multilateral levels, to ensure implementation of COP21 commitments and prepare for

COP22. Coordinated action at EU level and concerted efforts between EU Delegations and

Member States' Embassies is key in this respect.

The Council adopted conclusions on European climate diplomacy after COP21.

4. <u>Republic of Moldova</u>

- Draft Council conclusions 5947/16 COEST 23

<u>The Council</u> had a discussion on the situation in Moldova and on the EU approach to Moldova. The Council adopted conclusions on the Republic of Moldova, as set out in doc. 6060/16.

5. <u>Syria</u>

<u>The Council</u> had an exchange of views on the political, security and humanitarian situation in Syria with a focus on the outcomes of the London donors Conference (4 February 2016) and the meeting of the International Syria Support Group (ISSG) held in Munich on 11 and 12 February 2016.

6. <u>Belarus</u>

Draft Council conclusions 5946/16 COEST 22

<u>The Council</u> had a political debate on the future of relations with Belarus and adopted Council conclusions on Belarus.

7. <u>Any other business</u>

– Libya

<u>The High Representative</u> welcomed the announcement of a new Government of National Accord expressing hopes for its endorsement by the Libyan House of Representatives in the coming days.

- Middle East Peace Process

<u>The High Representative</u> informed ministers about her recent contacts with the Israeli Prime Minister and the President of the Palestinian Authority, as well as her participation at the Quartet Principals meeting held in Munich on 12 February 2016.

CSDP and migration

<u>The High Representative</u> informed ministers of her meeting with NATO Secretary-General at the Munich Security Conference on 12 February 2016, during which they discussed EU-NATO cooperation, in particular as regards the two organisations' respective naval operations in the Mediterranean and Aegean seas, aimed at addressing the migration crisis.

STATEMENTS FOR THE COUNCIL MINUTES

<u>Ad "A" item 5</u>: Draft Council conclusions on EU priorities at UN Human Rights Fora in 2016

STATEMENT BY HUNGARY on "EU Priorities at the UN Human Rights Fora in 2016" – draft Council conclusions (paragraph 14)

"The adoption of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the Beijing Platform for Action marked a remarkable consensus. They placed the enjoyment of human rights at the heart of development and important gains in the fields of health, gender equality and education have been achieved since their adoption. These fields are at the core of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development incorporating as founding principles the universal respect for human rights and human dignity, the rule of law, justice, equality and non-discrimination.

Hungary remains dedicated to its commitments in the field of human rights, including the rights of women. We are deeply committed to the implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action and Beijing Platform for Action as well as the 2030 Agenda, serving also as basic references in the fields of sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights. As the term of "sexual and reproductive health and reproductive near the fields of sexual and rights" is lacking consensual definition at international level, including within the European Union, Hungary interprets its content and scope in line with the above international commitments and national legislation."