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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: Visa Working Party / Mixed Committee (EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)

Date: 23 January 2026
Time: 10:00
Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format: 1+2+1 (Presidency 2+2)

MIXED COMMITTEE

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. 8th report from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council under the visa suspension mechanism
 - Presentation by the Commission and exchange of views
 - 17100/25 + ADD 1

3. The visa suspension mechanism and the situation in Georgia
 - Information by the Commission on the activation of the suspension mechanism
 - 5603/26
4. AOB
 - 2025 US *démarche* on third-country nationals transiting the Schengen Area for the purpose of illegal immigration to the United States
 - Debriefing of the IMEX meeting of 13 January concerning the visa measures under Article 25a
 - Questionnaire on representation arrangements (Art. 8 Visa Code) – information by the Commission
 - Schengen Barometer – information by the Presidency on the discussions in the JHA Counsellors (Schengen) of 16 December 2025 regarding issuance of tourist visas to Russian citizens
 - Actions taken by Estonia to mitigate the security threats posed by Russian ex-combatants – information by Estonia
 - Non-recognition of Russian Federation non-biometric passports in the Republic of Poland – information by Poland
 - Travel medical insurances issued by Russian companies – information by Sweden

VISA WORKING PARTY

5. Armenia VLD: First fact-finding mission on the implementation by Armenia of the Visa Liberalisation Action Plan, supported by 5 MS experts under TAIEX: 8-12 December 2025, Yerevan – information by the Commission¹
6. AOB
 - Visa facilitation agreement with Kazakhstan – timing of the second round of negotiations - Information by the Commission¹

NB: Council documents are available on Delegates Portal. Room attendants will provide copies on request at the earliest opportunity.

¹ Exceptionally in the presence of the Schengen Associated Countries.