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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: WORKING PARTY ON ENLARGEMENT AND COUNTRIES
NEGOTIATING ACCESSION TO THE EU

Date: 17 February 2026

Time: 10:00

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Ukraine

- Presentation by Mr Taras Kachka, Deputy Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration and Chief Negotiator of Ukraine of his assessment of the current state of play of Ukraine's European Union accession negotiations, followed by exchange of views.

2. Ukraine

- Preliminary Draft EU Common Position on Cluster 3 (Competitiveness and Inclusive Growth): Exchange of views (WK 17294/2025 REV 5)

3. Republic of Moldova

- Preliminary Draft EU Common Position on Cluster 3 (Competitiveness and Inclusive Growth): Exchange of views (WK 17295/2025 REV 6)

4. Montenegro

- Draft Common Position on Chapter 21 (Trans-European networks): Presentation by the Commission followed by Q&A (ST 6333/26)

5. AOB

NB Mr Taras Kachka, Deputy Prime Minister for European and Euro-Atlantic Integration and Chief Negotiator of Ukraine in the EU accession negotiations, accompanied by Ambassador Vsevolod Chentsov, Head of the Mission of Ukraine to the European Union, will attend agenda item 1, starting at 10h00.

NB Members of the Working Party on Eastern Europe and Central Asia (COEST) are invited to attend the meeting on agenda items 1.

NB The meeting in the afternoon is without interpretation