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SUMMARY RECORD

Subject: 2589th meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
held in Brussels on 8 and 10 June 2016

I. Adoption of the provisional agenda

9899/16 OJ CRP1 21 + COR 1 + COR 2

9919/16 OJ CRP2 21 COMIX 433

The Committee adopted the provisional agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex.

III. Discussion items

COREPER (PART 1)

Wednesday 8 June 2016

2. **Setting** of the provisional **agenda** for the Council meeting (**Agriculture and Fisheries**) on 27 and 28 June 2016

The Committee agreed on the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting.

3. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework on market access to **port services** and financial transparency of ports
(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)
= Preparation for the trilogue
9711/16 TRANS 206 MAR 157 FIN 335 CODEC 797

The Committee agreed the mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

4. **Preparation** for the Council meeting (**Employment, Social Policy, Health** and Consumer Policy) on 16 and 17 June 2016
1. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States as regards the **accessibility requirements for products and services**
(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)
= Progress report
14799/15 SOC 700 MI 770 ANTIDISCRIM 15 AUDIO 34 CODEC 1774
+ ADD 1 - ADD 8
9627/16 SOC 361 MI 398 ANTIDISCRIM 33 AUDIO 72 CODEC 777
+ ADD 1

The Committee took note of the progress report and submitted it to Council.

2. Proposal for a Council Directive on implementing the principle of **equal treatment** between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation
(Legislative deliberation)
= Progress report
11531/08 SOC 411 JAI 368 MI 246
9336/16 SOC 343 ANTIDISCRIM 30 JAI 476 MI 369 FREMP 87

The Committee took note of the progress report and submitted it to Council.

3. **Equality** (*Non-legislative activity*)
- a) Draft Council conclusions: Response to the Commission's strategic engagement for gender equality
- b) Draft Council conclusions: Response to the Commission's list of actions to advance LGBTI equality
- = Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9633/16 SOC 362 GENDER 23 ANTIDISCRIM 34 FREMP 92
9634/16 SOC 363 GENDER 24 ANTIDISCRIM 35 FREMP 93

The Committee invited the Council to address the remaining reservations with a view to adoption of the two sets of draft Council conclusions.

4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 96/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 December 1996 concerning the **posting of workers** in the framework of the provision of services **(First reading)** (*Legislative deliberation*)
- = Progress report
 - = Update by the Commission on the state of play
6987/16 SOC 144 EMPL 97 MI 142 COMPET 118 CODEC 297 CODEC 279
+ ADD 1 - ADD 2
9309/16 SOC 339 EMPL 235 MI 366 COMPET 312 CODEC 714 JUSTCIV 120
+ ADD 1

The Committee took note of the progress report and submitted it to Council. The Committee also noted that the Commission would inform on the state of play.

5. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2004/37/EC on the **protection of workers** from the risks related to exposure to carcinogens or mutagens at work **(First reading)** (*Legislative deliberation*)
- = General approach / Progress report
8962/16 SOC 255 EMPL 158 SAN 187 IA 23 CODEC 666
+ ADD 1 - ADD 3
+ REV 1 (mt)
9625/16 SOC 360 EMPL 251 SAN 232 IA 33 CODEC 776

The Committee took note of the progress report and submitted it to Council.

6. **Skills package** (*Non-legislative activity*)
- = Presentation by the Commission
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission.

7. Draft Council conclusions on **combating poverty and social exclusion**: An integrated approach (*Non-legislative activity*)
- = Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9273/16 SOC 336 EMPL 232 ECOFIN 477 SAN 206 EDUC 207

The Committee endorsed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

8. Draft Council conclusions on a new start for a **strong social dialogue**
(*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure
[proposed by the Presidency])
9513/16 SOC 353 EMPL 244
+ **COR 1**

The Committee endorsed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

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3. (**continuation**) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework on market access to **port services** and financial transparency of ports (**First reading**) (**Legislative deliberation**)
= Presidency briefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 9 June 2016.

5. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the **reduction of national emissions** of certain atmospheric pollutants and amending Directive 2003/35/EC (**First reading**) (**Legislative deliberation**)
= Presidency briefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 8 June 2016.

6. **Preparation** for the Council meeting (**Environment**) on 20 June 2016

1. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the **reduction of national emissions** of certain atmospheric pollutants and amending Directive 2003/35/EC (**First reading**) (*Legislative deliberation*)
= (poss.) Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement
9713/16 ENV 379 ENER 230 IND 124 TRANS 208 ENT 108 SAN 235
PARLNAT 179 CODEC 799

The Committee unanimously agreed to prepare this item on 22 June 2016 as a state of play.

2. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/87/EC to enhance **cost-effective emission reductions** and low-carbon investments (**First reading**) (*Legislative deliberation*)
= Policy debate
9719/16 CLIMA 59 ENV 380 ENER 231 TRANS 210 IND 125 COMPET 349
MI 408 ECOFIN 534 CODEC 802

The Committee took note of the background paper and the questions and agreed to forward it to Council in view of the policy debate.

3. Draft Council conclusions on Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the **circular economy** (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9724/16 ENV 382 COMPET 350 AGRI 302 TRANS 211 MI 409 IND 126
CONSOM 136 ECOFIN 535 ENER 233 RECH 218 SAN 236

The Committee amended the text and agreed to submit the draft conclusions to Council for adoption.

4. Draft Council conclusions on the EU action plan against **wildlife trafficking** (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9721/16 ENV 381 JAI 504 CRIMORG 41 RELEX 467 DEVGEN 112
COMER 72 EUROJUST 71 ENFOPOL 164 ENFOCUSTOM 74

The Committee endorsed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

5. Draft Council statement on the **ratification of the Paris agreement** (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9855/16 CLIMA 66 ENV 396 ONU 68 ENERGY 241

The Committee amended the text of the draft statement and agreed to submit it to Council for adoption.

4. (**continuation**) **Preparation** for the Council meeting (**Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Policy**) on 16 and 17 June 2016

9. Draft Council conclusions on **food products improvement** (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9484/16 DENLEG 56 AGRI 295 SAN 219
+ **COR 1**

The Committee endorsed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

10. Draft Council conclusions on the next steps under a one health approach to combat **antimicrobial resistance** (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9485/16 SAN 220 AGRI 296 VETER 53

The Committee discussed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

11. Draft Council conclusions on **strengthening the balance in the pharmaceutical system** in the EU and its Member States (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Adoption
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
9489/16 PHARM 32 SAN 222

The Committee endorsed the text and agreed to submit the draft Council conclusions to Council for adoption.

12. Proposal for a Council Directive implementing the Agreement concluded between the General Confederation of Agricultural Cooperatives in the European Union (COGECA), the European Transport Workers' Federation (ETF) and the Association of National Organisations of Fishing Enterprises (EUROPÊCHE) of 21 May 2012 as amended on 8 May 2013 concerning the implementation of the **Work in Fishing Convention**, 2007 of the International Labour Organisation (*Non-legislative activity*)
= Political agreement / Progress report
(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 8(1) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
8535/16 SOC 214 EMPL 131 PECHE 150
+ ADD 1 - ADD 3
9687/16 SOC 369 EMPL 256 PECHE 194 IA 34
+ ADD 1
+ ADD 2

The Committee agreed to submit the progress report to Council.

7. **Impact Assessment** within the Council - **2016 Annual Report**
= Endorsement
9786/16 IA 36 MERTENS 1 POLGEN 47 ECOFIN 557 COMPET 352
9790/16 IA 37 MERTENS 2 POLGEN 49 ECOFIN 545 COMPET 353

The Committee endorsed the 2016 Annual Report as well as the indicative guidance for Working Party Chairs.

8. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on official controls and other official activities performed to ensure the application of food and feed law, rules on animal health and welfare, plant health, plant reproductive material, plant protection products and amending Regulations (EC) No 999/2001, 1829/2003, 1831/2003, 1/2005, 396/2005, 834/2007, 1099/2009, 1069/2009, 1107/2009, Regulations (EU) No 1151/2012, [...] /2013 and Directives 98/58/EC, 1999/74/EC, 2007/43/EC, 2008/119/EC, 2008/120/EC and 2009/128/EC (**Official controls Regulation**) (**First reading**) (**Legislative deliberation**)
= Preparation for the trilogue
8342/16 AGRI 210 AGRILEG 76 PHYTOSAN 11 VETER 51 ANIMAUX 16
SAN 210 DENLEG 55 CODEC 717 SEMENCES 7

The Committee agreed the mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

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25. Preparation of the Council meeting (Justice and Home Affairs) on 9/10 June 2016

- a) **Fight against terrorism:** Feeding and consultation of databases ¹
= Exchange of views
9795/16 JAI 519 COSI 95 FRONT 237 ASIM 85 DAPIX 92 ENFOPOL 174
SIRIS 95 DATAPROTECT 60 VISA 190 FAUXDOC 24
COPEN 186

The Committee examined the report to be submitted to the Council, on the basis of a presentation from the Counter-terrorism coordinator.

- b) **Weapons:** Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 91/477/EEC on control of the acquisition and possession of weapons **(First reading)**
= General approach
9297/2/16 REV 2 GENVAL 62 JAI 469 MI 364 COMPET 310 COMIX 392
CODEC 711

The Committee confirmed the conclusions of the Mixed Committee, which noted broad support for the Presidency compromise text. The text will be submitted to Council with a view to reaching a general approach.

- c) **Visa liberalisation**
- i) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement **(Georgia) (First reading)**
 - ii) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement **(Ukraine) (First reading)**
 - iii) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement **(Turkey) (First reading)**

¹ Exceptionally, in the presence of the Schengen Associated States.

- iv) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and those whose nationals are exempt from that requirement (**Kosovo***)
(**First reading**)
= Progress report/(poss.) General approach

The Committee confirmed the conclusions of the Mixed Committee. The Presidency concluded that the item will be inscribed as a progress report at the Justice and Home Affairs Council on 10 June 2016.

- d) **European Border Guard:** Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Border and Coast Guard and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2007/2004, Regulation (EC) No 863/2007 and Council Decision 2005/267/EC
(**First reading**)
= Progress report
9716/16 FRONT 235 SIRIS 94 CODEC 801 COMIX 421

The Committee confirmed the conclusions of the Mixed Committee and took note of the progress report which will be submitted to the Council.

- e) **Migration**
 - Implementation of the EU-Turkey Statement, 18 March 2016
 - Developments regarding the Central Mediterranean
 - = Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the outcome of the discussions on the above issues in the Mixed Committee. The Presidency and the Commission informed on the results of discussions on the same issues in recent IPCR meetings. The Commission presented its communication on external aspects of migration.

- f) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency updated delegations on the agenda, in particular the withdrawal of the Schengen evaluation report.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

26. **Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 17 June 2016**

- a) Enhanced cooperation in the area of **Financial Transaction Tax**
 - Proposal for a Council Directive implementing enhanced cooperation in the area of financial transaction tax
 - = State of play
 - 9602/16 FISC 90 ECOFIN 522

The Committee examined the report to be submitted to the Council and agreed that no amendments to this report are required.

- b) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided information on the handling and the agenda. The Presidency informed that the HLWP decided that there was no need to submit a report on tax issues in the framework of the Euro Plus Pact, and the Committee agreed that this item will be withdrawn from the ECOFIN agenda. DE requested to add to the agenda the Commission communication on EFSI.

27. **Preparation of the Council meeting (General Affairs) on 24 June 2016**

- Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency updated delegations on the agenda, in particular the withdrawal of the Better regulation / Impact assessment item.

IV. Any other business

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None.

COREPER (PART 2)

- External aspects of migration

AT requested to have a discussion at the Foreign Affairs Council on 20 June 2016 on the Commission communication on external aspects of migration.

"I" items approved**COREPER (PART 1)****Wednesday 8 June 2016**

9. Replies to written questions put to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
 - = Adoption by silence procedure
 - a) P-002363/2016 - Elena Valenciano (S&D)
Guarantee that the right to asylum will be upheld in the agreement with Turkey
9005/16 PE-QE 185
 - b) E-002372/2016 - Elena Valenciano (S&D)
Refusal of the right to asylum and guarantees offered by Turkey
9012/16 PE-QE 189
 - c) E-002419/2016 - João Ferreira (GUE/NGL)
Conditions for applying the EU-Turkey Agreement and support for refugees
9009/16 PE-QE 186
 - d) E-002467/2016 - Nicola Caputo (S&D)
EU-Turkey agreement on migrants
9014/16 PE-QE 190
 - e) E-002471/2016 - Claude Rolin (PPE)
Clarification regarding the EU-Turkey Agreement of 18 March 2016
9019/16 PE-QE 192
 - f) E-002546/2016 - Marie-Christine Arnautu (ENF)
Application of the EU-Turkey Agreement
9010/16 PE-QE 187
 - g) E-002624/2016 - Nadine Morano (PPE)
Council-Turkey agreement on the management of migration flows
9011/16 PE-QE 188
 - h) E-002719/2016 - Edouard Ferrand (ENF)
EU- Turkey Agreement
9018/16 PE-QE 191
 - i) E-002746/2016 - Rosa Estaràs Ferragut (PPE)
Approving the anti-discrimination directive
9528/16 PE-QE 200
10. Draft minutes of the following Council meeting
 - = Approval
 - 3459th meeting of the Council of the European Union (Agriculture and Fisheries),
held in Luxembourg on 11 April 2016
7907/1/16 PV/CONS 18 AGRI 185 PECHE 135 REV 1
+ ADD 1 REV 1

11. Governing Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions
Appointment of Mr Pierre-Gaël LOREAL, member for France, in place of Mr Emmanuel COUVREUR, who has resigned
= Adoption
9568/16 SOC 356 EMPL 247
12. Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers
Appointment of Mr Robert LISICKI, member for Poland, in place of Mr Grzegorz BACZEWSKI, who has resigned
= Adoption
9591/16 SOC 357 EMPL 248
13. Advisory Committee on Safety and Health at Work
Draft Council Decision appointing members and alternate members for Romania
= Adoption
9159/16 SOC 304 EMPL 200
9158/16 SOC 303 EMPL 199
14. Community Plant Variety Office
Draft Council Decision renewing the term of office of the alternate to the Chairperson of the Board of Appeal
= Adoption
9083/16 AGRILEG 71
+ COR 1
15. Community Plant Variety Office
Draft Council Decision renewing the term of office of the President of the Board
= Adoption
9085/1/16 AGRILEG 72 **REV 1**
16. Preparation of the 208th session of the ICAO Council (Montreal, 16 May - 17 June 2016)
= European Union coordination of a common position - environmental issues
9851/16 AVIATION 124 RELEX 478 ENV 395 CLIMA 65 EU RESTRICTED
17. Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX amending certain Annexes to Regulation (EC) No 999/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies
= Decision not to oppose the adoption
9572/16 AGRILEG 82 VETER 54
8717/16 AGRILEG 64 VETER 48
+ ADD 1

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

18. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the accessibility of public sector bodies' websites **(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
= Political agreement
9465/16 TELECOM 97 CONSOM 119 MI 380 CODEC 742
9464/16 TELECOM 96 CONSOM 118 MI 379 CODEC 741
19. Draft Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down technical requirements for inland waterway vessels, amending Directive 2009/100/EC and repealing Directive 2006/87/EC **(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
= Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons
9715/16 CODEC 800 TRANS 209 MAR 158
+ ADD 1
7532/1/16 TRANS 93 MAR 105 CODEC 370 REV 1
+ ADD 1
20. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on European statistics on natural gas and electricity prices and repealing Directive 2008/92/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning a Community procedure to improve the transparency of gas and electricity prices charged to industrial end-users **(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
= Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament
9879/1/16 **REV 1** STATIS 36 ENER 242 CODEC 824
14510/15 STATIS 86 ENER 405 CODEC 1576
+ ADD 1

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21. Management Board of the European Food Safety Authority
Draft Council Decision appointing seven members
= Endorsement
9530/16 AGRILEG 80 MI 390 DENLEG 57 SAN 224 CONSOM 122 RECH 210
+ COR 1
22. Draft Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union, in respect of the decisions to be adopted by Eurocontrol's Permanent Commission, on Centralised Services
= Adoption
9538/16 AVIATION 118 RELEX 457
9694/16 AVIATION 121 RELEX 464

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

23. Draft Council implementing Decision amending implementing Decision 2014/170/EU establishing a list of non-cooperating third countries in fighting IUU fishing pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1005/2008 establishing a Community system to prevent, deter and eliminate illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing as regards Sri Lanka
= Adoption
9630/16 PECHE 191
8560/16 PECHE 152
24. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the sustainable management of external fishing fleets, repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 1006/2008
(First reading) (Legislative deliberation)
= Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament
9678/16 PECHE 192 CODEC 784
9679/16 PECHE 193 CODEC 785

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

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28. Draft minutes of the following Council meeting
= Approval
– 3460th meeting of the Council of the European Union (Foreign Affairs), held in Luxembourg on 18 and 19 April 2016
8027/16 PV/CONS 19 RELEX 286
+ COR 1 (lv)
29. Judgment of the Court of Justice in Case C-440/14 P, NIOC v. Council (restrictive measures against Iran)
– Reservation of implementing powers to the Council for adopting individual listing decisions (Article 291 (2) TFEU)
9838/16 JUR 269 CORLX 228 INST 250 CFSP/PESC 457
30. Cases before the EU General Court
– Case T-192/16 (NF v. European Council)
– Case T-193/16 (NG v. European Council)
– Case T-257/16 (NM v. European Council)
9897/16 JUR 273 JAI 534 ASILE 20 MIGR 108
31. Draft Council Decision appointing five members and six alternate members, proposed by the Republic of Bulgaria, of the Committee of the Regions
= Examination of the Draft Council Decision
9619/16 CDR 53
+ COR 1
9618/16 CDR 52
32. Transparency - Public access to documents
– Confirmatory application No 09/c/03/16
7511/16 INF 56 API 42
33. Transparency - Public access to documents
– Evaluation of the impact of the Court ruling in case C-280/11 P (Council v. Access Info Europe)
9404/1/16 REV 1 INF 88 API 61

34. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No .../.. of 17.5.2016 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1222/2014 with regard to regulatory technical standards for the specification of the methodology for the identification of global systemically important institutions and for the definition of subcategories of global systemically important institutions
= Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act
9732/16 EF 149 ECOFIN 538 DELACT 96
9042/16 EF 122 ECOFIN 403 DELACT 81
35. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 18.5.2016 supplementing Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on markets in financial instruments with regard to regulatory technical standards for the ratio of unexecuted orders to transactions in order to prevent disorderly trading conditions
= Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act
9749/16 EF 151 ECOFIN 541 DELACT 98
9164/16 EF 124 ECOFIN 438 DELACT 82
+ ADD 1
36. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 17.5.2016 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 596/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards for the appropriate arrangements, systems and procedures for disclosing market participants conducting market soundings
= Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act
9735/16 EF 150 ECOFIN 539 DELACT 97
9030/16 EF 121 ECOFIN 402 DELACT 78
37. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 19.5.2016 supplementing Directive 2004/109/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to regulatory technical standards on access to regulated information at Union level
= Intention not to raise objections to a delegated act
9726/16 EF 148 ECOFIN 536 DELACT 95
9241/16 EF 126 ECOFIN 472 DELACT 84
+ ADD 1

38. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the prospectus to be published when securities are offered to the public or admitted to trading **(First reading)**
= General approach
9800/16 EF 155 ECOFIN 546 CODEC 813
9801/16 EF 156 ECOFIN 547 CODEC 814

Joint statement by CY, FR, EL, IT, ES

"Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy and Spain appreciate the Presidency's efforts to reach a compromise and agree with the general purpose aimed to be achieved by this proposal. However, they regret that the new threshold of ten million Euros (€10.000.000), introduced in Article 3(2) of the compromise text, might have significant negative impact to the protection of investors. The proposal tries to minimize costs in order to facilitate access to the capital markets, but Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy and Spain consider that this is achieved at the expense of the level of investor protection. The proposal does allow Member States to set their own national thresholds below ten million Euros (€10.000.000). However, this feature will potentially lead to fragmentation and divergences in the EU market for prospectuses and a general lack of harmonization across EU Member States, depending on how each Member State decides to exercise the relevant discretion provided.

Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy and Spain are of the opinion that a lower harmonized threshold that would cater for all member states' market conditions, would promote investor protection and would be in line with the spirit of the initiative of the Capital Markets Union.

Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy and Spain would appreciate if the abovementioned elements are taken into account by the upcoming Presidency in its negotiations with the European Parliament, on the basis of this negotiating mandate, with a view to reaching an agreement at first reading."

Statement by IT

"Italy welcomes the Presidency's efforts to improve the Prospectus discipline so as to better balance investor protection and issuer obligations.

Italy, however, wishes the provisions on Summary were further and more deeply considered in the forthcoming negotiations with the European Parliament in order to achieve stronger convergence between the section concerning the securities and the key information document (KID) as far as packaged retail and insurance-based investment products (PRIIPs) and, where relevant, other complex non-equity securities are concerned. Likewise, the delivery of the Summary to retail investors should be considered as an additional investor protection measure, particularly when the KID is not required."

39. Draft amending budget No 2 to the general budget for 2016: Entering the surplus of the financial year 2015
9585/16 FIN 329 PE-L 28

40. Proposal for transfer of appropriations No DEC 09/2016 within Section III - Commission - of the general budget for 2016
9584/16 FIN 328 INST 242 PE-L 27
41. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 883/2013, as regards the secretariat of the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) **(First reading)**
= Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement
9793/16 GAF 31 FIN 339 CODEC 811
42. Special Report No 12/2015 from the European Court of Auditors entitled "The EU priority of promoting knowledge-based rural economy has been affected by poor management of knowledge-transfer and advisory measures"
= Adoption of Council conclusions
9169/16 FIN 306 AGRI 278 AGRIFIN 61 AGRISTR 20
43. Special Report No 20/2015 from the European Court of Auditors entitled "The cost-effectiveness of EU Rural Development support for non-productive investments in agriculture"
= Adoption of Council conclusions
9170/16 FIN 307 AGRI 279 AGRIFIN 62 AGRISTR 21
44. Special Report No 25/2015 from the European Court of Auditors entitled "EU support for rural infrastructure: potential to achieve significantly greater value for money"
= Adoption of Council conclusions
9171/16 FIN 308 AGRI 280 AGRIFIN 63 AGRISTR 22
45. Draft Council Decision establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the General Council of the World Trade Organization on the European Union request for an extension of the WTO waiver relating to the autonomous preferential regime for Western Balkans
= Adoption
9549/16 WTO 147 COWEB 50 AGRI 297 UD 110 TDC 3
8683/16 WTO 124 COWEB 39 AGRI 241 UD 97 TDC 2
46. Draft Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Economic Partnership Agreement between the East African Community Partner States, of the one part, and the European Union and its Member States, of the other part
= Adoption
9462/16 ACP 77 WTO 144 COAFR 150 RELEX 441
6296/16 ACP 29 WTO 37 COAFR 37 RELEX 118
6298/16 ACP 30 WTO 38 COAFR 38 RELEX 119
+ ADD 1-2

47. Political and Security Committee Decision extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of the European Union CSDP mission in Mali (EUCAP Sahel Mali) (EUCAP Sahel Mali/1/2016)
= Authorisation for publication in the Official Journal
9571/16 CFSP/PESC 438 CSDP/PSDC 308 COAFR 159 CSC 164
EUCAP MALI 14 PSC DEC 24
7923/16 CFSP/PESC 309 CSDP/PSDC 219 COAFR 104 CSC 96
EUCAP MALI 6 PSC DEC 10
48. **Political** and Security Committee Decision on the appointment of the EU Mission Commander for the European Union military mission to contribute to the training of the Malian Armed Forces (EUTM Mali) and repealing Decision (CFSP) 2015/2298 (EUTM Mali/1/2016)
= Authorisation for publication in the Official Journal
9673/16 CSDP/PSDC 310 CFSP/PESC 442 COAFR 162 RELEX 463
EUTM Mali 16 PSC DEC 25 CONUN 99
9048/16 CSDP/PSDC 280 CFSP/PESC 398 COAFR 135 RELEX 406
EUTM Mali 14 PSC DEC 13 CONUN 85
49. Draft Council conclusions on the return and readmission of illegally staying third-country nationals
= Adoption
9459/16 JAI 489 MIGR 99 COMIX 401
50. Preparation of the third Ministerial Conference of the Prague Process (Bratislava, 19-20 September 2016)
9598/16 ASIM 83 RELEX 461
+ **COR 1**
51. CEPOL Annual Report for the year 2015
8973/16 ENFOPOL 149
9616/16 ENFOPOL 162
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