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SUMMARY RECORD

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

22 and 24 May 2024

I. Adoption of the agenda

9899/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP1 18

10108/24 OJ CRP2 18

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the Annex with the exception of item 15.

III. Discussion items II

COREPER (PART 1)

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024

Agriculture and Fisheries

2. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 27 May 2024: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOBs requested by RO on “The need to review European Regulations 783, 784, 785/2018 and introduce as an exception the use of neonicotinoid substances as seed treatment until replacements are discovered”, by SK on “Dual quality of foodstuffs: an issue that persists” and by CY on “Severe drought situation in Cyprus”, and decided to hold them in public session.

Agriculture

3. Preparation of the Codex Alimentarius Committee on Pesticide Residues (Chengdu, China, 3-8 June 2024) – Draft and proposed draft maximum residue limits for pesticides in foods and feeds at steps 7 and 4
Establishment of the EU position 9970/24

The Committee did not adopt an EU position due to insufficient support from delegations.

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

4. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 30 May 2024: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOB requests by CZ on “The impacts of the gas storage neutrality charge and the need for a better coordination at the European level” and by FR/DE on “Biofuels frauds prevention”, both to be taken in non-public session.

1. Conclusions on advancing sustainable electricity grid infrastructure
Approval 8893/3/24 REV 3

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. REPowerEU Communication: quo vadis?
Exchange of views 9774/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

3. European Green Deal – state of play
Exchange of views 9775/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Environment

5. Meeting of the Council (Environment) on 17 June 2024: agenda

The Committee took note of the provisional agenda. It decided to hold all agenda items except for the adoption of the agenda and non-legislative A-items and the HU AOB on the incoming Presidency work programme, in public session.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024 (10.00)

General Affairs

20. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 21 May 2024:
follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting.

Foreign Affairs

21. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 27 and
28 May 2024: preparation

- (a) Current affairs

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (b) Russia's aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and approved the attendance of the Ukrainian Foreign Minister by videoconference.

- (c) Situation in the Middle East
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and approved the attendance, either by videoconference or in person, of the foreign affairs Ministers of Qatar, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, and the United Arab Emirates, as well as of the Secretary General of the League of Arab States.

- (d) EU support to Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and approved the attendance of the Minister of Defence of Ukraine and the Secretary General of NATO.

- (e) Defence readiness
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (f) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

22. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade) on
30 May 2024: preparation

- (a) Trade and competitiveness: The future of EU trade policy
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (b) EU-Africa trade and investment relations
State of play

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- (c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

23. Russia's aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views



The Committee held an exchange of views in restricted format.

24. Ukraine Peace Summit¹
Exchange of views

In the first part, the Committee welcomed the deputy State Secretary, Head of the International Security Division of the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs, who updated the Committee on the state of play of the preparations of the Ukraine peace summit. In the second part, the Committee held an exchange of views without the presence of the guest.

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| 25. Assistance measures under the European Peace Facility to | 10083/24 |
| support the Ukrainian Armed Forces | 10085/24 |
| <i>Preparation for adoption</i> | 10086/24 |
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| | 9263/24 |
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The Committee agreed to revert to this issue at its next meeting.

¹ Including an exchange with the deputy State Secretary, Head of the International Security Division of the Swiss Department of Foreign Affairs.

26. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Iran's military support to Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine and to armed groups and entities in the Middle East and the Red Sea region

Exchange of views



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The Committee reached an agreement which will be adopted as non-discussion items at its next meeting.

Justice and Home Affairs

27. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 13 and 14 June 2024: agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

28. Directive harmonising certain aspects of insolvency law
Policy debate



9880/24

The Committee held a policy debate.

FRIDAY 24 MAY 2024 (9.30)

General Affairs

29. Foreign interference in the context of the June 2024 European elections²
Exchange of views



The Committee held an exchange of views in restricted format.

Foreign Affairs

30. European economic security strategy
State of play and guidance for further work

9862/24

The Committee held an exchange of views and provided guidance for further work.

Justice and Home Affairs

31. The external dimension of migration: MOCADDEM action files on Mauritania and the Western Balkans
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views.

² This item will be discussed at the level SECRET UE/EU SECRET.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

WIPO negotiations on a legal instrument relating to intellectual property, genetic resources and traditional knowledge associated with genetic resources

The Committee took note of the information provided by France.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024

Recent statements of the leadership of North Macedonia.

The Committee took note of the information provided by Greece.



Georgia

The Committee took note of the information provided by the cabinet of the President of the European Council.


Non-discussion items "I"**COREPER (PART 1)****Institutional affairs****6. Minutes of Council meetings***Approval* PV CONS

Environment Council, 25 March 2024

8341/24 + ADD 1


Other**7. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (Industry) on 31 May 2024***Approval*9956/24
COMPET**8. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (FAO) on 24 May 2024***Approval*9958/24
AGRI**9. Attendance of a third party at the informal video conference of the meeting of the Working Party on Energy on 24 May 2024***Approval*9919/24
ENER**10. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on Public Health on 24 May 2024***Approval*10037/24
SAN**EU positions for international negotiations****12. Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the EU at the meeting of the Energy Charter Conference***Adoption* 9889/24
9616/24
ENER**13. Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of Euratom at the meeting of the Energy Charter Conference***Adoption* 9890/24
9617/24
ENER

Environment


14. Regulation on the reduction of methane emissions in the energy sector
Adoption of the legislative act  9832/24
PE-CONS 86/23
ENV
15. Bridge to Busan: Declaration on primary plastic polymers
Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument 9996/24 + COR 1
ENV

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.


Health

16. Regulation on standards of quality and safety for substances of human origin intended for human application
Adoption of the legislative act  9779/24
PE-CONS 8/24
SAN

Internal Market and Industry


17. Regulation establishing a framework for the setting of ecodesign requirements for sustainable products and repealing Directive 2009/125/EC
Adoption of the legislative act  9266/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 106/23
COMPET

A statement by Austria is set out in document 9266/24 ADD 1.

18. Regulation on establishing a framework of measures for strengthening Europe's net-zero technology manufacturing ecosystem (Net Zero Industry Act)
Adoption of the legislative act  9275/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 45/24
COMPET

A statement by Austria is set out in document 9275/24 ADD 1.

Energy

19. Council Decision on the withdrawal of the Union from the Energy Charter Treaty
Adoption  9946/24
6509/24
ENER


COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 22 MAY 2024

Judicial Affairs

32. Case T-116/24, plea of illegality, Regulation (EU) No 806/2014 (SRM-VO) 10029/24
Information note JUR
33. Case T-176/24, action for annulment, restrictive measures (Syria) 9852/24
Information note JUR
34. Case T-221/24, action for annulment, restrictive measures (Ukraine territorial integrity) 9964/24
Information note JUR

Institutional affairs

35. **Minutes of the Council Meeting**  PV CONS
Approval
- FAC/Trade of 25-29.2.2024 7259/24 + ADD 1

Appointments

36. Two alternate members (DE) of the Committee of the Regions 9723/24
Adoption 9721/24
CDR
37. One member and two alternate members (IT) of the Committee of the Regions 9688/24
Adoption 9685/24
CDR

Other

38. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Horizontal files in the field of external relations (Horizontal questions) subgroup of the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors (RELEX) on 24 May 2024 9734/24
Approval GLOBAL
GATEWAY
39. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats on 27 May 2024 10027/24
Approval HYBRID
DISINFO

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| 40. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats on 27 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 10028/24
HYBRID
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| 41. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Terrorism (International Aspects) (COTER) on 28 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9829/24
COTER |
| 42. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Transatlantic Relations (COTRA) on 28 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 10008/24
COTRA |
| 43. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security (COSI) on 30 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 10025/24
COSI |
| 44. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Justice and Home Affairs Council, 13 and 14 June 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 10048/24
JAI |

Transparency

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| 45. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 16/c/01/24
<i>Approval</i> | 8908/24
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Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 46. | Regulation amending Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff
<i>Adoption</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> 9767/24 + ADD 1
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A joint statement by Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania and Sweden is set out in document 9767/24 ADD 1.

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| 47. | Council Implementing Decision authorising Romania to extend a VAT derogation
<i>Adoption</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> 9918/24
9391/24
FISC |
| 48. | Regulation on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9464/1/24 REV 1
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PE-CONS 36/24
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A statement by Austria is set out in document 9464/1/24 REV 1 ADD 1.

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| 49. | Regulation establishing the Authority for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9573/24
PE-CONS 35/24
EF |
| 50. | Directive on the mechanisms to be put in place by Member States for the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9574/24
PE-CONS 37/24
EF |
| 51. | Capital Requirements Directive VI
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9575/24
PE-CONS 79/23
EF |
| 52. | Capital Requirements Regulation 3
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9576/24
PE-CONS 80/23
EF |


Justice and Home Affairs

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| 53. | Conclusions on the future of criminal law
<i>Approval</i> | 10000/24
COPEN |
| 54. | Conclusions on small-scale detention
<i>Approval</i> | 9999/24
COPEN |
| 55. | Council Decision authorising the Commission to participate in negotiations on an additional protocol to the Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism - Addition of a legal basis
<i>Approval</i> | 9995/24
JAI |

A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

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| 56. | Directive amending Directive (EU) 2019/1153 on law enforcement access to financial information: single access point
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 10046/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 44/24
ENFOPOL |
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A statement by the Commission is set out in document 10046/24 ADD 1.

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| 57. | Directive amending Directive 2011/36/EU on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 10047/24
PE-CONS 14/24
DROIPEN |
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A statement by Italy is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

Foreign Affairs

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| 58. | EU-Norway Security and Defence Partnership
<i>Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument</i> | 9909/24
COPS |
| 59. | Conclusions on the extension of the EU Action Plan on Human Rights and Democracy 2020-2024 in alignment with the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027
<i>Approval</i> | 9506/24
9505/24
COHOM |
| 60. | Conclusions on an EU position in view of the Fifth Review Conference of the Anti-Personnel Mine Ban Convention
<i>Approval</i> | 9440/24
9441/24
CONOP |
| 61. | Conclusions on an EU position with a view to the Fourth Review Conference of the Implementation of the UN Programme of Action on Small Arms and Light Weapons
<i>Approval</i> | 9444/24
9446/1/24 REV 1
CONOP |
| 62. | Conclusions on EU security and defence
<i>Approval</i> | 9224/24 + ADD 1
9223/24
POLMIL |
| A statement by Slovakia is set out in document 9224/24 ADD 1. | | |
| 63. | Generic Operational Scenario (GOS) on Peace Enforcement
<i>Approval</i> | 9793/24
EUMC |
| 64. | Generic Operational Scenario (GOS) on Conflict Prevention / Capacity Building
<i>Approval</i> | 9809/24
EUMC |
| 65. | 58th meeting of the European Economic Area Council (Brussels, 28 May 2024)
<i>Establishment of the EU position</i> | 9926/24
EEE |
| 66. | Joint statement of the parties to the European Economic Area Agreement
<i>Approval</i> | 9973/24
EEE |
| 67. | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria
<i>Adoption</i> | 8458/24
8454/24
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CORLX |
| 68. | Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria
<i>Adoption</i> | 8915/24
8912/24
8914/24
CORLX |

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| 69. | Council Decision on a European Union military partnership mission in Niger (EUMPM Niger)
<i>Adoption</i> | 9300/24
9299/24
CORLX |
| 70. | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine
<i>Adoption</i> | 9655/24
9652/24
9654/24
CORLX |
| 71. | Council Decision, Regulation and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Russia
<i>Adoption</i> | 9578/24 + COR 1
+ ADD 1-2
8273/24
8275/24
9496/24
CORLX |


Statements by the Commission are set out in document 9578/24 ADD 1. A joint statement by Germany, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia and Sweden as well as a statement by Germany are set out in document 9578/24 ADD 2.





Other items

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| 72. | Council Decision granting Ms Thérèse Blanchet authorisation for access to information classified up to and including level TRÈS SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET
<i>Adoption</i> | 9571/24 + COR 1
9282/24 + COR 1
CSC |
| 73. | 2024 programme of EU security assessment visits:
Revision
<i>Approval</i> | 9902/24
CSC |

FRIDAY 24 MAY 2024

Foreign Affairs

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| 74. | PSC Decision EUSDI/1/2024 on the appointment of the Head of the military command and support cell of the EUSDI
<i>Decision to publish in the Official Journal</i> |  10031/24
9797/24
PSC DEC |
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|  | Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3) and (7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure) |
|  | Restricted item |
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