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COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION (Transport, Telecommunications and <u>Energy</u>)

16 June 2025

Non-legislative activities

3. REPowerEU roadmap

9699/25

Exchange of views

The Council held an exchange of views on REPowerEU roadmap.

4. Conclusions on strengthening the Energy Union through reinforcing energy security

10055/25

Approval

<u>The Presidency</u> issued Presidency conclusions on strengthening the Energy Union through reinforcing energy security.

<u>Austria</u> and <u>Spain</u> presented a joint statement, orally supported by <u>Luxembourg</u>, as set out in the Annex.

Poland and Denmark presented a statement, as set out in the Annex.

Any other business

5. g) Work programme of the incoming Presidency Information from Denmark

The Council took note of the information provided by Denmark.

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Statements to the non-legislative "A" items set out in doc. 9985/25

EU-Uzbekistan Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

a) Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement *Adoption*

Ad "A" item 1:

b) Council Decision on the conclusion of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement

Agreement in principle

Request for the consent of the European Parliament

STATEMENT BY AUSTRIA

"Austria can accept the proposed approach. However, for constitutional reasons, Austria can only provisionally apply the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, and the Republic of Uzbekistan in the international law sense from the date on which it has notified the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, as the depositary of the Agreement, of the completion of its domestic procedures necessary for the entry into force of the Agreement."

STATEMENT BY HUNGARY

"Hungary welcomes the deepening cooperation between the European Union and the Republic of Uzbekistan and strongly supports the provisional application and the full implementation of the Enhanced Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Uzbekistan, of the other part (hereinafter Agreement). In relation to Article 8 of the Agreement Hungary notes that it remains fully committed to ensuring justice and accountability for the most serious crimes of concern to the international community as a whole including genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity both on the basis of its domestic criminal legislation, in accordance with the principle of universality, and its continued dedication to supporting coordination and cooperation between all competent authorities at international and national levels with a view to ensuring effective investigations and prosecutions of these crimes. However, Hungary regrets the recent politicization of certain decisions by an otherwise important international judicial forum, this is why Hungary notified the Secretary-General of the United Nations of its withdrawal from the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court on 2 June 2025. The withdrawal from the Statute of the International Criminal Court is without prejudice to the fulfilment of Hungary's obligations deriving from EU law."

Statements to the non-legislative "B" items set out in doc. 9928/25

Conclusions on strengthening the Energy Union through reinforcing

Ad "B" item 4: energy security

Approval

JOINT STATEMENT BY AUSTRIA AND SPAIN

"Austria and Spain support the strengthening of the Energy Union to secure the long-term energy supply in Europe. For Austria and Spain, the focus is on expanding safe, sustainable and environmentally friendly energy technologies - in particular renewable energy sources such as hydropower and rapidly scalable wind and solar energy - as well as measures to increase energy efficiency.

EU funding should be targeting projects in the field of renewable energy sources. From an Austrian as well as Spanish perspective, the term 'clean energy' only covers technologies that are safe, sustainable and environmentally friendly in the long term. For Austria and Spain, this is not the case for nuclear energy."

STATEMENT BY POLAND AND DENMARK

"On 6 May 2025 the Commission adopted a Communication on "Roadmap towards ending Russian energy imports" in which it stated its intention to present legislative proposals to implement the actions presented in the Roadmap.

The current and the incoming Presidency, Poland and Denmark took note of that intention and discussed how to effectively coordinate the Council's work on those proposals.

Consequently, their intention is to start work as soon as the Commission's proposals are adopted, if applicable already in June, and progress as swiftly as possible."