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1. Adoption of the provisional agenda and "I" items

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The above-mentioned agendas are approved with the following changes :

The following item is **added** :

(Coreper Part 1, under II)

- 45. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2187/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 2347/2002 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing (EC) No 1434/98 as regards the landing obligation (First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**

- **Endorsement of the Presidency compromise text**
10715/14 PECHE 302 CODEC 1445

The following items are **withdrawn** :

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

- 25. Appointment of the members of the Supervisory Committee of the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF)**

- **Procedure**
10587/14 GAF 32 PE-L 33

(Coreper Part 2, under II)

- 42. EU-Canada Strategic Partnership Agreement (SPA)**

10677/14 COTRA 26 CDN 4 RESTREINT UE
10654/14 COTRA 25 CDN 3

The Committee approved the "I" items as set out in the summary. Details are contained in the document quoted under item 1.

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14. Preparation for the Council meeting (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 16 and 17 June 2014

1. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2187/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 2347/2002 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing (EC) No 1434/98 as regards the landing obligation (First reading) (Legislative deliberation)**
 - **State of play**
10584/14 PECHE 294 CODEC 1404

Following an extensive discussion on this item under item 45 of the agenda, the Presidency concluded that the Committee had prepared the item under which the Council will be invited to take note of the agreement on a draft Council position as included in 10715/14 + COR 1.

2. **Implementation of the Common Fisheries Policy: Discard Plans (*Non-legislative activity*)**
 - **State of play and exchange of views**
10217/14 PECHE 283

The Presidency informed the Committee that the Council will be invited to take stock of the implementation of the landing obligation through joint recommendations on discard plans prepared at regional level. There was no discussion on this item in the Committee and the Presidency concluded that the item should be kept on the agenda of the Council.

3. **Management of Capelin - Establishment of a TAC for 2014 (*Non-legislative activity*)**
 - **Political agreement/Adoption**

The Presidency proposed to withdraw the item from the agenda as the related proposal from the Commission was not available to date. The Commission explained that the finalisation of the proposal depended on the availability of additional information from external partners, namely an offer from the Greenlandic authorities to transfer fishing opportunities for capelin to the EU. At the request of the Danish delegation, the Presidency decided to include this issue on the agenda of the Council under "Any Other Business."

15. Preparation for the Council meeting (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 19 and 20 June 2014

- 1. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on establishing a European Platform to enhance cooperation in the prevention and deterrence of undeclared work (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)**
 - **(poss.) General approach/Progress report**
9008/14 SOC 297 JAI 236 MIGR 50 ECOFIN 398 COMPET 243 CODEC 1120
10558/14 SOC 437 JAI 423 MIGR 95 ECOFIN 574 COMPET 342
CODEC 1398
+ ADD 1

The Committee agreed to return to this point on 18 June 2014, after the delegations would have had time to scrutinise the contribution of the Council Legal Service (doc. 10838/14). The discussions of the Committee on 11 June 2014 are reflected in documents 10558/1/14 REV 1 and 10558/1/14 ADD1 REV1.

- 2. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on a European Network of Employment Services, workers' access to mobility services and the further integration of labour markets (EURES) (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)**
 - **Progress report**
5567/14 SOC 33 ECOFIN 57 CODEC 154 MI 63 EMPL 9 JEUN 13
+ ADD 1
10130/14 SOC 390 ECOFIN 504 CODEC 1342 MI 449 EMPL 82 JEUN 72

The Committee took note of the Progress Report as set out in 10130/14 and will forward it to the Council.

- 3. Proposal for a Council Directive on implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of religion or belief, disability, age or sexual orientation (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)**
 - **Progress report**
10038/1/14 SOC 381 EGC 26 JAI 343 MI 440 FREMP 98 REV 1

The Committee took note of the Progress report (doc. 10038/1/14 REV 1) and agreed to submit it to the EPSCO Council.

4. **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on improving the gender balance among non-executive directors of companies listed on stock exchanges and related measures (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)**
– **Progress report**
9864/1/14 SOC 359 EGC 23 ECOFIN 480 DRS 67 CODEC 1293 REV 1

The Committee took note of the Progress report (doc. 9864/1/14 REV 1) and agreed to submit it to the EPSCO Council.

5. **The social dimension of the EU/EMU (*Non-legislative activity*)**
– **Exchange of views on the SPC reports**
10544/14 SOC 436 ECOFIN 572
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
a) **Social dimension of the Europe 2020 Strategy**
10403/14 SOC 402 ECOFIN 524
b) **Ex-ante coordination of major social policy reforms**
10386/14 SOC 401 ECOFIN 523
c) **Minimum income schemes in the Euro area**
10407/14 SOC 404 ECOFIN 526
d) **Adequate social protection for long-term care needs in an ageing society**
10406/14 SOC 403 ECOFIN 525
+ ADD 1
– **Endorsement of key messages**

The Committee took note of the SPC reports and the information by the Presidency regarding the handling of this agenda item in Council.

The Council will have an exchange of views on the basis of these contributions.

6. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on medical devices, and amending Directive 2001/83/EC, Regulation (EC) No 178/2002 and Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)**
and
Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on in vitro diagnostic medical devices (First reading) (*Legislative deliberation*)
– **Progress report**
– **Policy debate**
10342/14 PHARM 40 SAN 218 MI 464 COMPET 307 CODEC 1381

The Committee agreed:

- to forward the progress report set out in 10342/14 to the Council (EPSCO),
 - to invite the Council to hold a policy debate at its forthcoming meeting on 20 June 2014, based on the three questions in Annex B to document 10342/14, and
 - to instruct the Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical devices to continue its work with the aim of establishing a Council position during the next Presidency.
7. **Draft Council conclusions on economic crisis and healthcare (*Non-legislative activity*)**
– **Adoption**
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency]
10463/14 SAN 220

The Committee confirmed the text of the draft Council conclusions, set out in 10463/14 which will be submitted to the EPSCO Council on 20 June 2014 for adoption and subsequent publication in the OJ.

8. **Draft Council conclusions on nutrition and physical activity (*Non-legislative activity*)**
– **Adoption**
(Public debate in accordance with Article 8(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure [proposed by the Presidency])
10122/14 SAN 208
+ COR 1

The Committee confirmed the text of the draft Council conclusions, set out in 10122/14 which will be submitted to the EPSCO Council on 20 June 2014 for adoption and subsequent publication in the OJ.

45. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Regulations (EC) No 850/98, (EC) No 2187/2005, (EC) No 1967/2006, (EC) No 1098/2007, (EC) No 254/2002, (EC) No 2347/2002 and (EC) No 1224/2009 and repealing (EC) No 1434/98 as regards the landing obligation (First reading) (Legislative deliberation)

- **Endorsement of the Presidency compromise text**
10715/14 PECHE 302 CODEC 1445

The Committee examined the Presidency's compromise text as included in 10715/14.

Delegations generally supported the Presidency compromise even though some delegations believed that some issues could be further addressed in the text. While recognizing the value of some of these points, the Presidency stressed that these issues would be better addressed in other legislative frameworks. The Presidency concluded that the Committee had broadly endorsed the draft Council position as included in 10715/14 + COR 1.

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39. Follow-up to the Council meeting (Justice and Home Affairs) on 5/6 June 2014

The Committee took note of the Information Note circulated by the Presidency on the outcome of the JHA Council of 5 and 6 June 2014.

40. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 20 June 2014

- Other items in connection with the Council meeting

- Code of Conduct (Business Taxation): the Presidency indicated that the Report and draft Council conclusions would be submitted to ECOFIN as an "A" item (docs 10608/14 and 10609/14). Luxembourg indicated that its Minister intended to make an intervention at the ECOFIN meeting.
- Parent Subsidiaries Directive: MT informed that its reservation was maintained. The Committee decided to transfer the Presidency note to the Council for further deliberation (doc. 10419/14 FISC 78).

The Committee reviewed the state of readiness of the other agenda items listed.

41. Debriefing of the G7 Summit (4-5 June 2014)

The Committee took note of the Commission's debrief on the successful G7 Summit, hosted for the first time by the EU. The main issues of the G7 Summit discussions were in the field of the Foreign Policy, notably Ukraine, Syria and Libya, the global economy, trade and investment and climate change and energy security.

The next G7 Summit will be under DE Presidency and will take place in Schloss Elmau, Bavaria on 4 - 5 June 2015.

43. Relations with Ukraine

- a) Draft Council Decision on signing, on behalf of the European Union, and provisional application of the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, as regards Titles III, IV, V, VI and VII of the Agreement, as well as the related Annexes and Protocols**
- b) Draft Final Act between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, as regards the Association Agreement**

The Committee considered a draft Council Decision on the signing of the Association Agreement with Ukraine and a draft Final Act based on a proposal put forward by the Commission. The Council Legal Service presented the Court judgment in Case C-377/12 on the Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation with the Republic of the Philippines, as well as the possible implications of the case for the draft Council Decision on the signing of the Association Agreement with Ukraine.

The Member States welcomed the draft Decision and reiterated the priority to sign the Association Agreement with Ukraine on 27 June 2014. Two delegations maintained the opinion that an additional JHA legal base was necessary and that the Decision should be split. The Committee tasked the Eastern Europe and Central Asia Working Party to find agreement on the text in view of the Committee's meeting on 18 June 2014.

44. Preparation of the Council meeting (General Affairs) on 24 June 2014

- a) Preparation of the European Council on 26-27 June 2014**
 - Draft guidelines for the conclusions**
8282/14 CO EUR-PREP 11

The Committee discussed the main topics of the draft guidelines for the EC conclusions in the field of growth, competitiveness and jobs, freedom, security and Justice matters as well as climate change and energy issues. In the light of developments, the situation in Ukraine may also be discussed.

- b) Other items in connection with the Council meeting**

The Committee took note of two additional items which will be inserted on the agenda, the 18 month programme of the Council (1 July 2014-31 December 2015) and Article 10 of Protocol 36.