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SUMMARY RECORD

Subject: 2190th meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

held in Brussels on 27 and 29 June 2007

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1.	Adoption of the provisional agenda and items "	I"7

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- 2. Draft Council minutes
 - a) 2778th meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs), held in Brussels, on 30 January 2007
 - b) 2770th meeting of the Council (General Affairs and External Relations), held in Brussels, on 11 December 2006
 - c) 2771st meeting of the Council (General Affairs and External Relations), held in Brussels, on 11 December 2006
- 3. Initiative of the Republic of Germany with a view to the adoption of the Council Decision on a contact-point network against corruption
- 4. Consultation of the European Parliament, the Commission and the European Central Bank on convening a Conference of Representatives of the governments of the Member States on a proposal for the amendment of the Treaties
- 5. Case T-157/07 before the Court of First Instance
 - People's Mojahedin Organisation of Iran V. Council of the European Union
- 6. Letter from individual listed in the annex to Regulation (EC) n° 881/2002
- 7. Committee of the Regions
 - Appointment of six full members and nine alternate members (SE)
- 8. Proposal for transfer of appropriations N° DEC17/2007 in Section III Commission of the general budget for 2007 (NCE)
- 9. Adoption of the Council's opinion on the draft Commission Regulation (EC) amending Regulation (EC) N° 1653/2004 on a standard financial regulation for the executive agencies pursuant tot Council Regulation (EC) n° 58/2003 laying down the statute for executive agencies to be entrusted with certain tasks in the management of Community programmes
- 10. Adoption of texts in languages not available at the time of adoption of the legal act in the excessive deficit procedure
 - Council Decision abrogating Decision 2003/89/EC on the existence of an excessive deficit in Germany

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- 11. Adoption of texts in languages not available at the time of adoption of the legal act in the excessive deficit procedure
 - Council Decision abrogating Decision 2004/917/EC on the existence of an excessive deficit in Greece
- 12. Adoption of texts in languages not available at the time of adoption of the legal act in the excessive deficit procedure
 - Council Decision abrogating Decision 2005/186/EC on the existence of an excessive deficit in Malta
- 13. Recommendation from the Commission to the Council authorising the Commission to open negotiations with the eastern countries covered by the European Neighbourhood Policy and the EFTA countries for agreements on protection of geographical indications of agricultural products and foodstuffs
- 15. Adoption of a Council Decision modifying the Internal Agreement of 17 July 2006 between the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on the financing of Community aid under the multi-annual financial framework for the period 2008-2013 in accordance with the revised APC-EC Partnership Agreement and the allocation of the financial assistance for the Overseas Countries and Territories to which part Four of the EC Treaty applies
- 16. Republic of Guinea: consultations under Article 96 of the Cotonou Agreement
- 17. Adoption of a Council Decision fixing the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States contributing to the European Development Fund (second instalment for 2007)
- 18. EU-Brazil Summit: draft joint statement
- 19. Implementation UN Security Council Resolution 1373(2001)
 - a) Draft Council Common Position updating Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism and repealing Common Positions 2006/380/CFSP and 2006/1011/CFSP
 - b) Draft Council Decision implementing Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) N° 2580/2001 on specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities with a view to combating terrorism and repealing Decisions 2006/379/EC and 2006/1008/EC
- 20. Fight against the financing of terrorism
 - Implementation of Common Position 2001/931/CFSP
- 21. European Union autonomous/additional restrictive measures (sanctions)
 - Recommendation for dealing with country-specific EU autonomous sanctions of EU additions to UN sanctions lists
- 22. Council Joint Action of extending Joint Action 2006/439/CFSP regarding a further contribution of the European Union to the conflict settlement process in Georgia/South Ossetia

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- 23 Relations with Russia
 - Council and Commission Decision on the conclusion of the Protocol to the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement, establishing a partnership between the EC and their Member States, of the one part, and the Russian Federation, of the other part, to take account of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union
- 24. Council Decision of implementing Common Position 2004/694/CFSP on further measures in support of the effective implementation of the mandate of the International Criminal Tribunal of the Former Yugoslavia (ICTY)
- Authentication of texts in the Czech, Estonian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Hungarian, 25. Polish, Slovenian and Slovak languages consequent on the accession of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic to the European Union and, in particular, on the accession of these Member States to those Conventions and Protocols in the field of justice and home affairs which, by the date of accession, had been opened for signature by the then Member States, and to those which had been drawn up by the Council in accordance with Title VI of the EU Treaty and recommended to the Member States for adoption
- 26. Proposal for a Council Regulation setting up a Community regime for the control of exports of dual-use items and technology
 - Opinion of the Working Party on Substantive Criminal Law on the measures provided for in Article 15(2) and Article 21, fourth sentence, concerning the (substantive and formal) criminal law of the Member States
- Proposal for a Council Framework Decision on the European Evidence warrant (EEW) for 27. obtaining objects, documents and data for use in proceedings in criminal matters
- 28. Council Framework Decision on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgments in criminal matters imposing custodial sentences or measures involving deprivation of liberty for the purpose of their enforcement in the European Union
- 29 SIS II
 - Draft reply to the letter of Mr Hans-Gert PÖTTERING, President of the European **Parliament**
- 30. Amended proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the service in the Member States of judicial and extrajudicial documents in civil or commercial matters ("service of documents") and repealing Council Regulation (EC) n° 1348/2000 (First reading)
 - Adoption
 - a) of the common position
 - b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
- Proposal for a Directive amending Council Directive 92/49/EEC and Directives 2002/83/EC, 2004/39/EC, 2005/68/EC and 2006/48/EC as regards procedural rules and evaluation criteria for the prudential assessment of acquisitions and increase of shareholdings in the financial sector (First reading)

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- 32. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council amending and extending Decision n° 804/2004/EC of 21 April 2004 establishing a Community action programme to promote activities in the field of the protection of the Community's financial interests (Hercule II programme) (First reading)
- 33. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on the law applicable to non-contractual obligations ("ROME II") (Third reading)
- 34. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules on nominal quantities for pre-packed products, repealing Council Directives 75/106/EEC and 80/232/EEC, and amending Council Directive 76/211/EEC (Second reading)
- 35. Adoption of a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) n° 1941/2006, (EC) n° 2015/2006 and (EC) n° 41/2007 as regards fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks
- 36. Adoption of a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community on the one hand, and the Government of Denmark and the Home Rule Government of Greenland, on the other hand

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37.	Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs), on 10 July 2007		
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45.	Replies to written questions put to the Council by Members of the European Parliament	
	(a)	n° P-1897/07 put by Harlem Désir "Freedom of movement of HIV-positive people within and outside the EU"
	(b)	n° E-2608/07 put by Mario Mauro "Shortcomings of Italian NAP 2008-2012 within the meaning of Directive 2003/87/EC"
	(c)	n° E-2709/07 put by Paul van Buitenen, Hannu Takkula, Paulo Casaca "Iranian incitement to commit genocide"
	(d)	n° E-2938/07 put by Mario Borghezio "The EU is urged to prevent the closure of the school at Coumboscuro and the extinction of the 'Alpine provençal' language"
	(e)	n° E-2995/07 put by Georgios Karatzaferis "Problems encountered by foreigners in Belgium"
46.	Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 577/98 on the organisation of a Labour force sample survey in the Community	
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47.	Fish	ng of the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting (Agriculture and eries) on 16 and 17 July 2007 the items within the remit of the Permanent Representatives Committee)

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

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The above mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes:

The following items are **added**:

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

48. Interpreting in Council preparatory bodies 11176/07 POLGEN 72

49. Draft Council Joint Action on support for activities of the Preparatory Commission of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organisation (CTBTO) in order to strengthen its monitoring and verification capabilities and in the framework of the implementation of the EU Strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

10139/07 PESC 659 CONOP 44 RELEX 392 + COR 1 + REV 1(sk) + REV 2(lt) 10577/07 PESC 723 CONOP 50 RELEX 450

50. Draft Council Common Position relating to the 2008 Review Conference of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction (CWC)

10522/07 PESC 716 CODUN 12 RELEX 448 10871/07 PESC 781 CODUN 19 RELEX 486

The following item is **withdrawn**:

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14. Draft Council Decision on a Community position in the Association Council on the implementation of Article 75 of the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Arab Republic of Egypt, of the other part 11145/07 EG 4

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

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37. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs), on 10 July 2007 - Other items in connection with the Council meeting

<u>The Committee</u> finalised the provisional agenda for this Council meeting and reviewed the state of readiness of the agenda items listed.

The incoming Presidency will continue the appropriate contacts with the Dutch delegation on the GALILEO (financing aspects) item.

38. Presentation of the agenda for the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs/Budget), on 13 July 2007

The Committee notes the draft agenda and the details announced by the Presidency as to the conduct of the proceedings. It also notes that a large measure of agreement (a strong indicative qualified majority) is already obtained at technical level. In this context the Italian delegation gives notice of a statement that it will enter in the Council minutes concerning the Commission's internal management of the linguistic balance.

39. Follow up to the Council meeting (General Affairs and External Relations), on 18/19 June 2007

<u>Le Comité</u> est informé par la Présidence des suites que celle-ci entend donner à certains points ayant fait l'objet des délibérations du Conseil.

40. SWIFT (restricted session)

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The outcome of the Committee's proceedings is set out in 11223/07 ADD 1 LIMITE.

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41. PNR

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The Commission underlined the positive aspects of the compromise which leads the Commission to consider that the mandate to provide for a high level of data protection has been fulfilled

Many delegations asked questions or expressed concerns. The Commission answered most of the questions.

The Presidency concluded that no delegation had expressed objection against the package. Delegations need time to consult with capitals. Parliamentary and scrutiny reservations as well as declaration under Art. 24.5 TEU had been expressed. The file will be submitted to the Council at the latest on 23 July.

42. EU-Russia Visa Facilitation Agreement - Implications on Georgia

<u>The Committee</u> invited the Commission to pursue an enhanced dialogue on Justice, Liberty and Security issues with Georgia and to accelerate preparatory work for establishing a JLS Subcommittee with Georgia.

<u>The Committee</u> also invited the Commission to pursue technical contacts with Georgia on migration, including readmission and visa issues. These technical contacts might include a mission at expert level to Georgia.

43. EU/EC Representation in the Peace building Commission - Nameplate 11134/07 PESC 829 CONUN 38 ONU 40

The Committee agreed on the text of the EU reply to the PBC Chair letter, dated 19 April. The text agreed was a slight modification of Annex 2 of document 11134/07.

44. The situation at the Southern Maritime Borders (restricted session) 11088/07 ASIM 52

The outcome of proceedings on this item is set out in 11305/07 ASIM 57 LIMITE.

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47. Setting of the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 16 and 17 July 2007 (For the items within the remit of the Permanent Representatives Committee)

<u>The Committee</u> agrees the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting (Agriculture and Fisheries) as set out in 11585/07.

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