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held in Brussels on 5 and 6 July 2007**

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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)

28. Common position adopted by the Council on 13 June 2007 with a view to the adoption of a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing for the period 2007-2013 the Specific Programme "Civil Justice" as part of the General Programme "Fundamental Right and Justice"

- **Letter to the European Parliament**
11524/07 JUSTCIV 194 CODEC 765

(Coreper Part 1, under AOB)

- = **Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the placing on the market, in accordance with Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, of a potato product (*Solanum tuberosum* L. line EH92-527-1) genetically modified for enhanced content of the amylopectin component of starch (requested by the AT delegation)**

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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15. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 10 July 2007

- (a) **IASB : Governance and financing**
= **Draft Council conclusions**
11308/07 EF 51 ECOFIN 299 DRS 32
- (b) **Other items in connection with the Council meeting**

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

16. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs/Budget) on 13 July 2007

- (a) **Establishment by the Council of the draft budget of the European Communities for the financial year 2008**
11208/07 FIN 314
11210/07 FIN 315 + ADD 1
- (b) **Preparation for conciliation with the European Parliament**
- (c) **Other items in connection with the Council meeting**

The outcome of the Committee's work on preparing the first reading is recorded in documents 11427/07 FIN 332 + ADD 1 and 11428/07 FIN 333 + ADD 1 + ADD 2; in this context the German delegation states that it is able to join the existing qualified majority, the Spanish delegation voices its preoccupation over funding for Frontex and several delegations express strong reticence regarding the cuts proposed to the research funding in sub-Heading 1a. The Commission reiterates her preoccupation concerning Heading 5. The Committee then notes the practical details announced by the Presidency regarding the timing and content of the conciliation meeting with the European Parliament.

17. Presentation of the agenda for the Council meeting (General Affairs and External Relations) on 23/24 July 2007

Le Comité prend acte de la liste des points susceptibles de figurer aux ordres du jour provisoires des sessions du Conseil susvisées.

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26. Working programme of the Portuguese Presidency **- Information from the Presidency**

The Presidency presents the main features of its programme.

27. Preparation of the Council meeting (Agriculture/Fisheries) on 16 July 2007 **- Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the non-inclusion of methomyl in Annex I to Council Directive 91/414/EEC and the withdrawal of authorisations for plant protection products containing that substance** **= Adoption** 10783/07 AGRILEG 87 11322/07 AGRILEG 96

The Presidency compromise proposal set out in Annex I of document 11322/07 received the support of a sufficient number of delegations to allow for its adoption by qualified majority. However, it was rejected by the Commission. Stating the impossibility for the Council to act unanimously against the negative Commission opinion, the Presidency withdrew the compromise proposal.

It was concluded that the Council would be invited to confirm, as an "A" point at its meeting of 16 July 2007, the lack of the qualified majority required to act on the Commission proposal set out in document 10783/07 or to indicate that the Council opposes this proposal.

- **Any other business**

- = **Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the placing on the market, in accordance with Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, of a potato product (*Solanum tuberosum* L. line EH92-527-1) genetically modified for enhanced content of the amylopectin component of starch (requested by the AT delegation)**

Following a request by AT, supported by CY, HU and FR, the Committee agrees to inscribe this item on the agenda of the Agriculture/Fisheries Council on 16 July.

= **Meetings taking place outside the seat of the Council**

The Committee approved the list of the following 15 meetings which will take place in Portugal during its Presidency :

1. High level Group on Asylum and Migration, 12 July, Lisboa
2. RELEX, 19-20 July, Lisboa
3. Transport Attachés, 30-31 July, Sines
4. Environment Attachés, 4 September, Lisboa
5. Strategic Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and Asylum (SCIFA), 4-5 September, Lisboa
6. Budget Committee, 5-7 September, Lisboa
7. Article 133 (Full Members), 7 September, Lisboa
8. Special Committee on Agriculture, 16-18 September, Porto
9. CIVCOM, 26-28 September, Lisboa
10. Article 133 (Textiles), 1 October, Porto
11. Customs Union, 4-5 October, Porto
12. Chief Veterinary Officers, 8-10 October, Lisboa
13. CREST, 11-12 October, Açores
14. Joint Working Party Research / Atomic Questions, 11-12 October, Açores
15. Education Committee, 13-14 December, Lisboa

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