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

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11915/07 OJ/CRP2 28

The above mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes :

The following items are **added** :

(Coreper Part 1, under I)

22. Preparations for the Environment for Europe Sixth Ministerial Conference (Belgrade, 10-12 October 2007)

- Adoption of Council conclusions

11906/07 ENV 413 ONU 47 COEST 226

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

63. The Mechanism on Cooperation and Verification for Bulgaria and Romania

- Adoption of Council conclusions

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11963/07 CIVCOM 374 PESC 919 COSDP 617

COAFR 199 RELEX 579

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11966/07 CIVCOM 375 PESC 920 COSDP 618

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The following items are **withdrawn** :

(Coreper Part 1, under I)

17. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation EC n° 1925/2006 on the addition of vitamins and minerals and of certain other substances to foods (LA) (First reading)

- Adoption of the legislative act

PE-CONS 3629/07 DENLEG 48 CODEC 641

11450/07 CODEC 752 DENLEG 54

18. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation EC n° 1924/2006 on nutrition and health claims made on foods (LA) (First reading)

- Adoption of the legislative act

PE-CONS 3628/07 DENLEG 45 CODEC 640

11451/07 CODEC 753 DENLEG 55

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

**39. Guidelines on appointment, mandate and financing of EU Special Representatives
revised guidelines : approval**

11328/07 PESC 842 FIN 331 RELEX 522

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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19. **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on flavourings and certain food ingredients with flavouring properties for use in and on foods and amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 1576/89, Council Regulation (EEC) No 1601/91, Regulation (EC) No 2232/96 and Directive 2000/13/EC (First reading)**
- **Analysis of the compromise text with a view to agreement**
11829/07 DENLEG 64 CODEC 811

The Committee took note of the progress achieved as noted in document 11829/07 REV 1.

The Committee endorsed the Presidency's intention to achieve an agreement with the European Parliament on all 4 dossiers of the Food Improvement Agent package at the stage of a Council Common Position.

Furthermore, the Committee and the Commission recognized the need to establish maximum levels for coumarin in certain food categories for its inclusion in Annex III of the current proposal on flavourings. Therefore, on the basis of the data provided by Member States, the Commission will take as soon as possible the appropriate measures to establish such levels in order to maintain a high level of consumer protection.

20. **Proposal for a Council Decision authorising the placing on the market of food and feed produced from genetically modified sugar beet H7-1 (KM-000H71-4) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council**
- **Adoption**
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21. **Proposal for a Council Decision authorising the placing on the market of products containing, consisting of, or produced from genetically modified maize 59122 (DAS-59122-7) pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council**
- **Adoption**
11744/07 AGRILEG 105 ENV 399
11810/07 AGRILEG 107 ENV 405

The Committee takes note of the fact that the current delegations' voting intentions would not result in a qualified majority in favour or against the proposal (see tables annexed to documents 11977/07 and 11979/07).

The Commission representative calls for urgent action concerning maize 59122, explaining the difficulties of some Member States which are dependant on US corn gluten feed and for which a swift decision on authorisation would help secure supply through imports before the next harvest.

However AT, supported by IT, HU, LUX, PL and CY, rejects the suggestion to invite Council to confirm the lack of a qualified majority on this proposal as an "A" item at its meeting on 23/24 July 2007 or by written procedure.

In conclusion, the Committee agrees to invite the Agriculture/Fisheries Council to confirm the position of delegations at its session on 25 September 2007 as a "B" item.

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59. Follow-up to the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs/Budget), on 13 July 2007

The Committee notes the procedural follow-up to the decisions taken by the ECOFIN (Budget) Council on 13 July 2007.

60. EU-China Summit preparations

11823/07 PESC 894 COASI 94 ASIE 54 RELEX 561 ECOFIN 324 ENER 205
TRANS 245 JAI 383 ENV 407 POLGEN 88 RESTREINT UE

The Committee held a first discussion on preparations for the tenth EU-China Summit and endorsed the priorities for that meeting presented by the Presidency.

61. Relations with Ukraine

- **Progress of preparations for the EU-Ukraine Summit**
11806/07 NIS 171 COEST 225 PESC 892

The Committee had an exchange of views on and took note of the preparations for the EU-Ukraine Summit, that is to take place on 14 September in Kiev, on the basis of a Presidency/Secretariat/Commission information note. The Committee underlined the particular context of the Summit, which would take place just two weeks before the early parliamentary elections scheduled for 30 September, and stressed the need to pass on strong messages in support of the stabilisation of its political system, including a constitutional reform, and the continuation of democratic reforms. It was agreed that delegations' comments would be reflected, as appropriate, in the interventions of the Presidency and Commission at the Summit.

62. Preparation of the Council meeting (General Affairs and External Relations) on 23/24 July 2007

A. General Affairs

- Other items in connection with the Council meeting

Le Comité met au point l'ordre du jour provisoire de la session Affaires générales.

B. External Relations

(a) Sudan/Darfur

- Draft Council conclusions**
11947/07 COAFR 248 PESC 915

The work of the Committee is contained in document 11947/1/07 REV 1.

(b) Middle East

- Draft Council conclusions**
11955/07 COMEP 27 PESC 917
- Draft Council conclusions on Lebanon**
11928/07 COMAG 26 COMEP 26 PESC 913

Le Comité a approuvé le projet de Conclusions du Conseil sur le Processus de Paix au Moyen-Orient (document 11955/2/07 REV 2 COMEP 27 PESC 917) et l'a transmis au Conseil pour adoption.

(c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

Le Comité met au point l'ordre du jour provisoire de la session Relations extérieures.

- **Any other business**

= **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 on nutrition and health claims made on foods**

• **Information from the Presidency**

The Presidency informs the Committee on its intention to seek a first reading agreement with the European Parliament.

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

The Committee approved the following meeting :

- Atomic Questions Group, Peten, the Netherlands, 11 September 2007.

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