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from: Secretariat General of the Council
to: Coreper/Council
Subject: Adoption of a Council Decision establishing the organisation and functioning of
the European External Action Service

Delegations will find below the elements for the statement given by the High Representative to the plenary of the European Parliament on the basic organisation of the EEAS central administration.

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The HR will establish in the EEAS the services and functions necessary to fulfil its objectives and to strengthen the EU's capacity for consistent external action, while avoiding duplication. Where necessary, she will ensure that appropriate proposals are submitted to the budgetary authority.

The services and functions will be adapted over time in light of new priorities and developments.

The EEAS will from the start include, inter alia, the following departments:

- A Department assisting the HR in her institutional relations with the European Parliament as laid down in the treaties and in the Declaration on Political Accountability and with national Parliaments.

- A department assisting the HR in her task of ensuring consistency of the Union's external action. This department will inter alia provide input to and ensure follow up to the regular meetings of the HR with other members of the Commission. The Department will at service level assure the necessary interaction and coordination with competent Commission services concerning the external aspects of internal policies.

- A Director General for Budget and Administration. This will be a senior figure in the EEAS with proven experience of EU budget and administration.

Crisis management and peacebuilding: the CSDP structures will be part of the EEAS in the way agreed by the European Council in October 2009 and as foreseen in the EEAS Decision. The appropriate structure is to integrate relevant units in the Commission dealing with crisis response and peace building.

The High Representative will ensure that the relevant units from the Commission transferred to the EEAS which deal with planning and programming of crisis response, conflict prevention and peace building, and the CSDP structures, work in close cooperation and synergy, both under her direct responsibility and authority within the appropriate structure. This is of course without prejudice to the specific nature, notably intergovernmental and communitarian, of the policies.

Under the direct authority and responsibility of the High Representative, full coordination between all the services of the EEAS, in particular between the CSDP structures and the other relevant services of the EEAS will be ensured, respecting the specificities of these structures.

The HR will ensure that the necessary coordination is established between the EU Special Representatives and the relevant Departments in the EEAS.

The HR will give high priority to the promotion of Human Rights and good governance around the globe and promote its mainstreaming into external policies, throughout the EEAS. There will be human rights and democracy structure at headquarters level as well as focal points in all relevant Union delegations with the task of monitoring the human rights situation and promoting an effective realisation of EU human rights policy goals.
