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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	European Council meeting (26 and 27 October 2023) – Annotated draft agenda

In accordance with Article 3(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Council, the President of the European Council, in close cooperation with the member of the European Council representing the Member State holding the six-monthly Presidency of the Council and with the President of the Commission, is to submit an annotated draft agenda to the General Affairs Council.

Delegations will find attached the annotated draft agenda submitted by the President of the European Council, setting out the main items the European Council is expected to address at the above meeting.

In the light of the final discussion to be held by the General Affairs Council within the five days preceding the European Council meeting, the President of the European Council is to draw up the provisional agenda.

I. UKRAINE

The European Council will take stock of the latest developments in Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. It will also review all aspects of the Union's response, as well as its continued unwavering and multifaceted support to Ukraine and its people.

II. MULTIANNUAL FINANCIAL FRAMEWORK 2021-2027

The European Council will have an exchange of views on the proposed revision of the Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 with a view to further work in the Council.

III. ECONOMY

In view of increasingly complex challenges, the European Union is building a robust and future-proof economy that secures long-term prosperity. The European Council will assess progress in boosting Europe's competitiveness, with a particular focus on industrial policy and energy. It will provide targeted guidance, taking into account the Commission's upcoming assessment of the impact of the Inflation Reduction Act.

IV. MIGRATION

The European Council will hold a strategic discussion on the external dimension of migration, with a particular focus on cooperation with third countries.

V. OTHER ITEMS

The European Council will take stock of preparations for the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Dubai (COP28).

In the light of events, the European Council may address specific foreign policy issues (such as the situation in the Sahel).
