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Subject : MONTHLY SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTS JULY/AUGUST 2009

This document consists of the following:

- ANNEX I containing a list of acts adopted by the Council in July/August 2009.^{1 2}
- ANNEX II containing further details on the adoption of these acts. PART I provides information on the adoption of legislative acts, such as the date of adoption, the relevant Council session, the number of the document adopted, and where appropriate, applicable voting rules, voting results, explanations of vote and statements published in the minutes of the Council. PART II provides information that the Council has decided to make public on the adoption of other acts.

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¹ With the exception of certain acts of limited scope such as procedural decisions, appointments, decisions of bodies set up by international agreements, specific budgetary decisions, etc.

² In the case of legislative acts adopted in codecision, there may be a difference between the date of the Council's meeting where the legislative act is adopted and the actual date of the act in question, since legislative acts in codecision are only considered to have been adopted after signature by both the President of the Council and the President of the European Parliament and the Secretaries-General of the two Institutions.

It should be noted that only the minutes concerning the definitive adoption of legislative acts are authentic (available via the Internet: <http://consilium.europa.eu/> , see under "Documents", "Legislative Transparency", "Council Minutes").

**LIST OF ACTS ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL
IN JULY/AUGUST 2009**

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Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Court of First Instance of the European Communities
OJ L 184, 16.7.2009, p. 10–11

2009/528/EC, Euratom: Council Decision of 3 July 2009 appointing a new member of the Commission of the European Communities
OJ L 178, 9.7.2009, p. 16–16

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Council Regulation (EC) No 613/2009 of 6 July 2009 laying down the weightings applicable from 1 July 2008 to the remuneration of officials, temporary staff and contract staff of the European Communities serving in third countries
OJ L 181, 14.7.2009, p. 1–7

2954th meeting of the Council of the European Union (ECONOMIC and FINANCIAL AFFAIRS), held in Brussels on 7 July 2009

Council Regulation (EC) No 664/2009 of 7 July 2009 establishing a procedure for the negotiation and conclusion of agreements between Member States and third countries concerning jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement of judgments and decisions in matrimonial matters, matters of parental responsibility and matters relating to maintenance obligations, and the law applicable to matters relating to maintenance obligations
OJ L 200, 31.7.2009, p. 46–51

2009/536/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States
OJ L 180, 11.7.2009, p. 16–17

Council Regulation (EC) No 614/2009 of 7 July 2009 on the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin (Codified version)
OJ L 181, 14.7.2009, p. 8–13

Council Regulation (EC) No 679/2009 of 7 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation
OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 1–16

Directive 2009/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on passenger hand-holds on two-wheel motor vehicles (Codified version) (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ L 201, 1.8.2009, p. 29–35

Directive 2009/78/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on stands for two-wheel motor vehicles (Text with EEA relevance)

OJ L 231, 3.9.2009, p. 8–20

Directive 2009/80/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators for two or three-wheel motor vehicles (Codified version) (Text with EEA relevance)

OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 16–28

Decision No 633/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 granting a Community guarantee to the European Investment Bank against losses under loans and loan guarantees for projects outside the Community

OJ L 190, 22.7.2009, p. 1–10

Regulation (EC) No 662/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a procedure for the negotiation and conclusion of agreements between Member States and third countries on particular matters concerning the law applicable to contractual and non-contractual obligations

OJ L 200, 31.7.2009, p. 25–30

Regulation (EC) No 663/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a programme to aid economic recovery by granting Community financial assistance to projects in the field of energy

OJ L 200, 31.7.2009, p. 31–45

Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of procedures for the award of certain works contracts, supply contracts and service contracts by contracting authorities or entities in the fields of defence and security, and amending Directives 2004/17/EC and 2004/18/EC (Text with EEA relevance)

OJ L 216, 20.8.2009, p. 76–136

Council Regulation (EC) No 625/2009 of 7 July 2009 on common rules for imports from certain third countries (Codified version)

OJ L 185, 17.7.2009, p. 1–15

Council Regulation (EC) No 598/2009 of 7 July 2009 imposing a definitive countervailing duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of biodiesel originating in the United States of America

OJ L 179, 10.7.2009, p. 1–25

Council Regulation (EC) No 599/2009 of 7 July 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of biodiesel originating in the United States of America

OJ L 179, 10.7.2009, p. 26–51

Council Conclusions on pro-cyclicality

11880/09

2009/591/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Latvia
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 50–51

Council Recommendation to Latvia with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11660/09

2009/587/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Malta
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 42–43

Council Recommendation to Malta with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11396/09

2009/588/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Lithuania
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 44–45

Council Recommendation to Lithuania with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11398/09

2009/589/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Poland
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 46–47

Council Recommendation to Poland with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11400/09

Council Recommendation to Hungary with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11404/09

2009/590/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Romania
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 48–49

Council Recommendation to Romania with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit
11402/09

Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Belgium, 2008-2013
OJ C 166, 18.7.2009, p. 1–6

Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Austria, 2008-2013
OJ C 166, 18.7.2009, p. 7–11

Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Slovenia, 2008-2011
OJ C 195, 19.8.2009, p. 1–5

Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the stability programme of Slovakia, 2008-2011
OJ C 170, 22.7.2009, p. 1–5

Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated convergence programme of Romania, 2008-2011
OJ C 170, 22.7.2009, p. 6–11

Written procedure completed on 9 July 2009

2009/532/EC: Council Decision, meeting in the composition of Heads of State or Government of 9 July 2009 nominating the person it intends to appoint as President of the Commission for the period 2009-2014
OJ L 179, 10.7.2009, p. 61–61

Written procedure completed on 10 July 2009

Commission Regulation (EC) No 690/2009 of 30 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and the Council on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Council Directive 91/670/EEC, Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 and Directive 2004/36/EC (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ L 199, 31.7.2009, p. 6–6

2956th meeting of the Council of the European Union (AGRICULTURE), held in Brussels on 13 July 2009

2009/562/EC: Council Decision of 13 July 2009 concerning the non-inclusion of metam in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC and the withdrawal of authorisations for plant protection products containing that substance (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ L 196, 28.7.2009, p. 22–26

Council Directive 2009/82/EC of 13 July 2009 amending Directive 91/414/EEC to include tetraconazole as an active substance (Text with EEA relevance)
OJ L 196, 28.7.2009, p. 10–13

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 808/2004 concerning Community statistics on the information society
PE-CONS 3637/09 + REV 3 (pt)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the minimum safety and health requirements for the use of work equipment by workers at work (second individual Directive within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/391/EEC) (codified version)
PE-CONS 3633/09 + COR 1 (nl) + COR 2 (es) + REV 1 (lt) + REV 2 (pl) + REV 3 (ro)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on reciprocal recognition of navigability licences for inland waterway vessels (codified version)
PE-CONS 3630/09 + REV 1 (mt)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on coordination of safeguards which, for the protection of the interests of members and third parties, are required by Member States of companies within the meaning of the second paragraph of Article 48 of the Treaty, with a view to making such safeguards equivalent (codified version)

PE-CONS 3631/09 + COR 1 (nl) + REV 1 (pl) + REV 1 COR 1 (pl) + REV 2 (lt)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to insurance against civil liability in respect of the use of motor vehicles, and the enforcement of the obligation to insure against such liability (codified version)

PE-CONS 3632/09 + COR 1 (lt) + COR 2 + REV 1 (mt) + REV 1 COR 1(mt)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to simple pressure vessels (codified version)

PE-CONS 3634/09 + COR 1 (hu) + COR 2 (fr) + REV 1 (ro) + REV 2 (bg)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council in the area of company law on single-member private limited liability companies (codified version)

PE-CONS 3636/1/09 REV 1 + REV 2 (pl)

Council Regulation (EC) No 617/2009 of 13 July 2009 opening an autonomous tariff quota for imports of high-quality beef

OJ L 182, 15.7.2009, p. 1–1

Council Decision on the position to be taken by the Community concerning the proposal to amend the Customs Convention on the International Transport of goods under cover of TIR carnets (TIR Convention 1975)

11044/09 11044/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (hu) + REV 1 COR 1 (hu) + REV 2 (it) + REV 3 (sk) + REV 4 (pl)

Council Regulation (EC) No 626/2009 of 13 July 2009 concluding the partial interim review pursuant to Article 11(3) of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 of the anti-dumping duty on imports of certain graphite electrode systems originating in India

OJ L 185, 17.7.2009, p. 16–18

2009/592/EC: Council Decision of 13 July 2009 amending Decision 2009/290/EC of 20 January 2009 providing Community medium-term financial assistance for Latvia

OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 52–52

Council Decision on the signature and provisional application of the Interim Partnership Agreement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Pacific States, of the other part

5558/2/09 + ADD 1-20 + ADD 12 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 13 REV 1 (pt) + ADD 19 COR 1 (et) + ADD 19 COR 2 (mt)

Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Interim Agreement establishing a framework for an Economic Partnership Agreement between the Eastern and Southern Africa States, on the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, on the other part
5556/09 + ADD 1-35 + COR 1 (sk) + COR 2 (de) + ADD 4 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 7 REV 1 (pt) + ADD 13 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 13 COR 2 (bg) + ADD 15 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 17 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 18 REV 1 + ADD 19 REV 1 + ADD 20 REV 1 + ADD 21 REV 1 + ADD 22 REV 1 + ADD 23 REV 1 + ADD 24 REV 1 + ADD 26 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 29 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 29 COR 2 (bg) + ADD 30 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 32 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 32 COR 2 (sk) + ADD 35 COR 1 (bg)

Council Decision fixing the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States contributing to the European Development Fund (Second instalment for 2009)
11543/09

Written procedure completed on 16 July 2009

2009/552/EC, Euratom: Council Decision of 16 July 2009 appointing a new Member of the Commission of the European Communities
OJ L 185, 17.7.2009, p. 23–23

2957th meeting of the Council of the European Union (GENERAL AFFAIRS and EXTERNAL RELATIONS), held in Brussels on 27 July 2009

Council Regulation (EC) No 753/2009 of 27 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009, as regards fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks
OJ L 214, 19.8.2009, p. 1–15

Council Regulation (EC) No 754/2009 of 27 July 2009 excluding certain groups of vessels from the fishing effort regime laid down in Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008
OJ L 214, 19.8.2009, p. 16–17

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 98/8/EC concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market as regards the extension of certain time periods
PE-CONS 3624/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (ro)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1692/2006 establishing the second "Marco Polo" programme for the granting of Community financial assistance to improve the environmental performance of the freight transport system ("Marco Polo II")
PE-CONS 3660/09

Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation by the Community in a European metrology research and development programme undertaken by several Member States
PE-CONS 3661 + COR 1 (cs) + COR 2 (de) + COR 3 (mt) + REV 1 (nl)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on substances that deplete the ozone layer (recast)
PE-CONS 3622/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (es) + REV 2 (lt)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directives 77/91/EEC, 78/855/EEC and 82/891/EEC, and Directive 2005/56/EC as regards reporting and documentation requirements in the case of mergers and divisions

PE-CONS 3644/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (nl) + COR 3 (de) + REV 1 (ro)

Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on interoperability solutions for European public administrations (ISA)

PE-CONS 3667/09 + REV 1 (lt)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on trade in seal products

PE-CONS 3668/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (dk) + COR 3 (de) + REV 1 (ga)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 87/372/EEC on the frequency bands to be reserved for the coordinated introduction of public pan European cellular digital land based mobile communications in the Community

PE-CONS 3673/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (mt) + COR 3 (mt)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems

PE-CONS 3646/09 + COR 1 (pt) + COR 2 (ga)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems, and determining the content of its annexes

PE-CONS 3647/09

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies

PE-CONS 3642/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 + COR 3 (sk) + COR 4 (sv) REV 1 (sl) + REV 1 COR 1 (sl) + REV 1 COR 2 (sl) + REV 2 (cs) + REV 2 COR 1 (cs) + REV 3 (de) + REV 3 COR 1 (de)

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on cross-border payments in the Community and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2560/2001

PE-CONS 3665/09 + COR 1 (cs)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directives 2006/48/EC, 2006/49/EC and 2007/64/EC as regards banks affiliated to central institutions, certain own funds items, large exposures, supervisory arrangements, and crisis management

PE-CONS 3670/09 + REV 1 (es) + REV 2 (bu) + REV 3 (de)

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the taking up, pursuit and prudential supervision of the business of electronic money institutions amending Directives 2005/60/EC and 2006/48/EC and repealing Directive 2000/46/EC

PE-CONS 3666/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 (bu) + COR 3 (el) + COR 4 (sv) + REV 1 (lt) + REV 2 (it)

Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community programme to support specific activities in the field of financial services, financial reporting and auditing

PE-CONS 3671/09 + REV 1 (hu) + REV 2 (de)

Council Decision on the conclusion by the European Community of the Interim Agreement between the European Community, the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and Turkmenistan, of the other part, on trade and trade-related matters

11549/1/09 REV 1

Council Decision 2009/597/CFSP of 27 July 2009 on the signing and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Croatia on the participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Operation Atalanta)

OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 83–83

Council Joint Action 2009/571/CFSP of 27 July 2009 extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the crisis in Georgia

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 109–109

Council Decision 2009/570/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending and extending Decision 2008/901/CFSP concerning the independent international fact-finding mission on the conflict in Georgia

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 108–108

Council Joint Action 2009/572/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending and extending Joint Action 2008/736/CFSP on the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia, EUMM Georgia

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 110–110

Council Common Position 2009/573/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending Common Position 2006/795/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 111–116

Council Conclusions on Kenya

12440/09

Council Regulation (EC) No 680/2009 of 27 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 423/2007 concerning restrictive measures against Iran

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 17–17

Council Decision 2009/569/CFSP of 27 July 2009 on support for OPCW activities in the framework of the implementation of the EU Strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 96–107

Council Conclusions on the Special Report No. 3/2009 by the European Court of Auditors concerning the effectiveness of Structural measures spending on waste water treatment for the 1994-1999 and 2000-2006 programme periods

11995/09

2009/593/EC: Council Decision of 27 July 2009 amending Decision 1999/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks, as regards the external auditors of the Banka Slovenije
OJ L 202, 4.8.2009, p. 53–53

Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Community, of the Arrangement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein, of the other part, on the modalities of the participation by those States in the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union
10701/09

Action Plan on drugs between the EU and the Western Balkan countries (2009-2013)
12185/09

Council Conclusions with regard to Special Report from the Court of Auditors No. 4/2009 on the Commission's management of non–state actors' involvement in EC Development Cooperation
12194/09

Council Regulation (EC) No 681/2009 of 27 July 2009 terminating the new exporter review of Regulation (EC) No 192/2007 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain polyethylene terephthalate originating, inter alia, in Malaysia, re-imposing the duty with regard to imports from one exporter in this country and terminating the registration of these imports
OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 18–19

Council Regulation (EC) No 703/2009 of 27 July 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of wire rod originating in the People's Republic of China and terminating the proceeding concerning imports of wire rod originating in the Republic of Moldova and Turkey
OJ L 203, 5.8.2009, p. 1–13

Council Regulation (EC) No 682/2009 of 27 July 2009 terminating the partial interim review of the anti-dumping measures applicable to imports of certain plastic sacks and bags originating in the People's Republic of China
OJ L 197, 29.7.2009, p. 20–21

2009/618/EC: Council Decision of 27 July 2009 concerning the conclusion of consultations with the Republic of Guinea under Article 96 of the Cotonou agreement
OJ L 214, 19.8.2009, p. 34–39

Council Decision on the signature and provisional application of the Agreement establishing a framework for an Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on one part, and the East African Community Partner States, on the other part
17462/08 + ADD 1-9 + COR 1 (it) + COR 2 (hu) + COR 3 (et) + COR 4 (hu) + COR 5 + ADD 2 REV 1 + ADD 3 REV 1 + ADD 4 REV 1 + ADD 5 REV 1 + ADD 9 REV 1 (it)

Council Decision amending the rules laying down the detailed arrangements for applying the provisions relating to the grant of the unemployment allowance to members of the temporary staff pursuant to Article 28a(10) of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities
11712/09 + REV 1 (mt)

Council Conclusions on application by Iceland for membership of the European Union
12311/09

2958th meeting of the Council of the European Union (GENERAL AFFAIRS and EXTERNAL RELATIONS) held in Brussels on 27 and 28 July 2009

Council Conclusions on Somalia
12441/09

Council Conclusions on EUMM Georgia
12243/09

Written procedure completed on 4 August 2009

Council Decision 2009/599/CFSP of 4 August 2009 implementing Common Position 2006/795/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
OJ L 203, 5.8.2009, p. 81–84

Written procedure completed on 7 August 2009

Council Joint Action 2009/605/CFSP of 7 August 2009 amending Joint Action 2009/137/CFSP extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in Kosovo
OJ L 206, 8.8.2009, p. 20–20

Written procedure completed on 13 August 2009

Council Common Position 2009/615/CFSP of 13 August 2009 amending Common Position 2006/318/CFSP renewing restrictive measures against Burma/Myanmar
OJ L 210, 14.8.2009, p. 38–69

Written procedure completed on 17 August 2009

Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2009 of 17 August 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 1890/2005 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating, inter alia, in Vietnam
OJ L 221, 25.8.2009, p. 1–4

Written procedure completed on 27 August 2009

Council Regulation (EC) No 803/2009 of 27 August 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain tube and pipe fittings, of iron or steel, originating in the People's Republic of China and Thailand, and those consigned from Taiwan, whether declared as originating in Taiwan, or not, and repealing the exemption granted to Chup Hsin Enterprise Co. Ltd. and Nian Hong Pipe Fittings Co. Ltd.

OJ L 233, 4.9.2009, p. 1–17

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TITLE OF LEGISLATIVE ACT	TEXTS ADOPTED	VOTING RULE	VOTES
2954th meeting of the Council of the European Union (ECONOMIC and FINANCIAL AFFAIRS), held in Brussels on 7 July 2009 Council Regulation (EC) No 664/2009 of 7 July 2009 establishing a procedure for the negotiation and conclusion of agreements between Member States and third countries concerning jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement of judgments and decisions in matrimonial matters, matters of parental responsibility and matters relating to maintenance obligations, and the law applicable to matters relating to maintenance obligations	9987/09 + REV 1 (fi)	Unanimity	All Member States in favour
Statement by the Council on Articles 6 and 9 In situations where the Commission intends not to authorise the opening of formal negotiations on the envisaged agreement under Article 6 or not to authorise the conclusion of the negotiated agreement under Article 9 the Member State concerned may at any time, if it so wishes, bring the matter before the Council with a view to a debate within that body."			
Statements by the Council and by the Commission on Article 13 The Council invites the Commission to consider carefully, when preparing its report under Article 13, whether, in the light of the experience gathered on the application of the Regulation, the Regulation on its expiry should be replaced by a new one covering the same subject matters or including also other matters covered by other Community instruments. In the context of the report on the application of the Regulation on applicable law, the Commission should consider, in particular, whether a possible new Regulation should cover recognition and enforcement under Regulation (EC) No 44/2001. The Commission takes note of this invitation and will examine it carefully in its report on the application of the Regulation, without prejudice to its own competences.			

INFORMATION ON THE ADOPTION OF LEGISLATIVE ACTS JULY/AUGUST 2009			
TITLE OF LEGISLATIVE ACT	TEXTS ADOPTED	VOTING RULE	VOTES
Statement by the Commission The Commission recalls that the rights and obligations arising from agreements concluded, before the date of their accession, between one or more Member States on the one hand, and one or more third countries on the other, are not affected by the provisions of the EC Treaty pursuant to Article 307, first subparagraph. This also applies to the so-called broad legal assistance agreements. To the extent that such agreements are not compatible with the EC Treaty, the Member States shall take all appropriate steps to eliminate the incompatibilities established, in line with Article 307, second subparagraph, of the Treaty. The Commission is of the view that the acceding Member States should renegotiate such agreements in order to eliminate any incompatibilities with the Community acquis, including on matters such as jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement in civil and commercial matters. The Commission offers all its cooperation to achieve a satisfactory result with regard to these specific agreements. The Commission considers the result of these renegotiations should be reviewed after 8 years following the adoption of the Regulations.			
2009/536/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on guidelines for the employment policies of the Member States	10421/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Council Regulation (EC) No 614/2009 of 7 July 2009 on the common system of trade for ovalbumin and lactalbumin (Codified version)	10357/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Council Regulation (EC) No 679/2009 of 7 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 1386/2007 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation	10150/09 + COR 1 (hu) + REV 1 (lv)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive 2009/79/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on passenger hand-holds on two-wheel motor vehicles (Codified version) (Text with EEA relevance)	PE-CONS 3626/1/08 REV 1	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Directive 2009/78/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on stands for two-wheel motor vehicles (Text with EEA relevance)	PE-CONS 3625/1/08 REV 1	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive 2009/80/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the identification of controls, tell-tales and indicators for two or three-wheel motor vehicles (Codified version) (Text with EEA relevance)	PE-CONS 3629/1/08 REV 1	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Decision No 633/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 granting a Community guarantee to the European Investment Bank against losses under loans and loan guarantees for projects outside the Community	PE-CONS 3620/1/09 REV 1	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Regulation (EC) No 662/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a procedure for the negotiation and conclusion of agreements between Member States and third countries on particular matters concerning the law applicable to contractual and non-contractual obligations	PE-CONS 3655/2/09 REV 2	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Statement by the Council on Articles 6 and 9 In situations where the Commission intends not to authorise the opening of formal negotiations on the envisaged agreement under Article 6 or not to authorise the conclusion of the negotiated agreement under Article 9 the Member State concerned may at any time, if it so wishes, bring the matter before the Council with a view to a debate within that body.			

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Statements by the Council and by the Commission on Article 13 The Council invites the Commission to consider carefully, when preparing its report under Article 13, whether, in the light of the experience gathered on the application of the Regulation, the Regulation on its expiry should be replaced by a new one covering the same subject matters or including also other matters covered by other Community instruments. In the context of the report on the application of the Regulation on applicable law, the Commission should consider, in particular, whether a possible new Regulation should cover recognition and enforcement under Regulation (EC) No 44/2001. The Commission takes note of this invitation and will examine it carefully in its report on the application of the Regulation, without prejudice to its own competences. Statement by the Commission The Commission recalls that the rights and obligations arising from agreements concluded, before the date of their accession, between one or more Member States on the one hand, and one or more third countries on the other, are not affected by the provisions of the EC Treaty pursuant to Article 307, first subparagraph. This also applies to the so-called broad legal assistance agreements. To the extent that such agreements are not compatible with the EC Treaty, the Member States shall take all appropriate steps to eliminate the incompatibilities established, in line with Article 307, second subparagraph, of the Treaty. The Commission is of the view that the acceding Member States should renegotiate such agreements in order to eliminate any incompatibilities with the Community acquis, including on matters such as jurisdiction, recognition and enforcement in civil and commercial matters. The Commission offers all its cooperation to achieve a satisfactory result with regard to these specific agreements. The Commission considers the result of these renegotiations should be reviewed after 8 years following the adoption of the Regulations.			
Regulation (EC) No 663/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a programme to aid economic recovery by granting Community financial assistance to projects in the field of energy	PE-CONS 3659/2/09 REV 2	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Statement by the Commission The Commission underlines that energy efficiency and renewable energy sources are key priorities of EU energy policy, both for environmental and for security of supply reasons. In this respect, the Regulation will contribute to these priorities by giving substantial support to offshore wind projects. The Commission recalls in this context the various other new initiatives supporting energy efficiency and renewable energy sources, suggested by the Commission notably in its European Recovery Plan, which was endorsed by the European Council of December 2008. These include: A modification to the ERDF Regulation to allow investments up to €8 billion in energy efficiency and renewable energies in housing in all the Member States. A public-private partnership on a "European energy-efficient buildings" initiative to promote green technologies and the development of energy-efficient systems and materials in new and renovated buildings. The estimated envelope for this action is €1 billion: €500 million from existing EC FP7 budget over the years 2010 to 2013 and €500 million from industry. The EC-EIB initiative "EU Sustainable Energy Financing Initiative". It aims at enabling investments for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in urban settings. The Commission finances a technical assistance facility from the Intelligent Energy Europe programme (annual allocation of 15 M€ for 2009). This facility, managed by the EIB, will facilitate access to EIB loans with substantial leverage effects. The creation by EU institutional investors - led by the EIB - of a market oriented equity fund, called Marguerite: the 2020 European Fund for Energy, Climate Change and Infrastructure. This Fund would invest in the areas of energy and climate change (TEN-E, sustainable energy production, renewable energy, new technologies, energy efficiency investments, security of supply, as well as environmental infrastructure). The Commission supports this initiative. Furthermore, the Commission will present before the end of November 2009 the revision of the energy efficiency action plan as demanded by Council (Conclusions of the European Council of March 2009) and Parliament (EP Resolution P6_TA(2009)0064). There is agreement among experts that energy efficiency is the cheapest available option to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The Commission will provide by November 2009 a detailed analysis of the obstacles for increased energy efficiency investments. It will in particular examine whether there is a need for increased financial incentives in the form of low-interest loans and/or grants, how the European budget could be used to this end, and, if appropriate, the Commission will include, inter alia, additional funds for financing of energy efficiency in the new EU Energy Security and Infrastructure Instrument, to be presented in 2010.			

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When reviewing the energy efficiency action plan, the Commission will pay particular attention to the neighbourhood dimension of energy efficiency. It will analyze how it can give financial and regulatory incentives to neighbourhood countries to step up their investments in energy efficiency. Should the Commission, when reporting in 2010 on the implementation of the Regulation under its Article 28, find that it will not be possible to commit by the end of 2010 a part of the funds foreseen for the projects listed in the annex to the Regulation, the Commission will propose, if appropriate and in a geographically balanced way, an amendment to the Regulation allowing for the financing of projects in the area of energy efficiency and renewable energy sources, in addition to the above initiatives, including eligibility criteria similar to those applying to projects listed in the Annex to this Regulation. Statement by Portugal Portugal is voting in favour, although in its view, in a review of the programme under Article 28, consideration should be given to the inclusion of renewable energy and energy efficiency projects, particularly for microgeneration and for smart grids and meters, to help achieve the objectives in Article 4(a) and (b) of the Regulation.			
Directive 2009/81/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on the coordination of procedures for the award of certain works contracts, supply contracts and service contracts by contracting authorities or entities in the fields of defence and security, and amending Directives 2004/17/EC and 2004/18/EC (Text with EEA relevance)	PE-CONS 3609/6/09 REV 6	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except: abstention : PT

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Statement by Portugal Portugal deeply regrets that this opportunity to establish fair terms of competition in defence equipment markets, with equal opportunities for Europe's small and medium sized businesses, has been missed, particularly because measures required for progressive opening up of prime contractors' supply chains have not been considered. Portugal would therefore urge the Commission to submit legislative proposals, should the review under Article 73 of the Directive show that an internal market for supply chains, where small and medium sized businesses are more involved, and the development of a European defence market underpinned by a sustainable European defence technological and industrial base have not been brought about by the Directive's application. Statement by the Netherlands The Netherlands welcomes the adoption of the Directive on defence and security procurement. The Directive is expected to bring greater transparency and competitiveness to the European defence and security market for prime contractors competing for public contracts. It is tailored to the special nature of defence and security tendering. The Netherlands sets great store by timely review of the Directive's operation, under Article 73, within five years following the Directive's transposition into national law. The Netherlands specifically calls on the European Commission to assess whether the European internal market for defence and security is working, both for prime contractors competing for public contracts and for subcontractors competing for supply contracts from prime contractors for performance of a public contract. Europe's small and medium sized businesses are usually involved as subcontractors. The development of a true European defence and security market, with a properly working internal market, requires an open and transparent market at every stage of the production chain, in order to create a level playing field that offers a fair chance to all European small and medium sized businesses wishing to compete for a supply contract. The Netherlands calls on the European Commission to come up with effective (legislative) measures if the review of the Directive shows little or no internal market to have been opened up for Europe's small and medium sized businesses operating as subcontractors in the European defence and security industry.			

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Statement by the Austrian delegation on the second to fourth subparagraphs of Article 39(1) In Austria's view, Member States should establish the implementing conditions for Article 39(1), pursuant to the second to fourth subparagraphs thereof, in accordance with their national legal provisions and in compliance with Community law. These may include the conditions whereby a candidate or tenderer (economic operator) can show that the grounds for a conviction referred to in Article 39(1) no longer obtain. Where an economic operator shows that the grounds for such a conviction no longer obtain, the contracting authority should not be required to exclude that candidate or tenderer. Commission Statements Article 13 (d) For the purposes of this Directive, “area of operation’ (Art. 13 (d)) should be understood as being the third country(ies) in which a defence or security operation is being undertaken, together with those third countries in the surrounding geographic zone. Article 31 Article 31 is a non-mandatory provision. Consequently, and with a view to promoting transparency in public procurement, it should be understood as allowing Member States to adapt the forms for their non-mandatory use. Documents transmitted by Member States to the Commission as a result of obligations in this Directive will be treated, where relevant, in accordance with Commission's rules on security laid down in Decision 2001/844/EC. Requests for public access to these documents will be treated by the Commission in accordance with Articles 4(5) and 9 of Regulation 1049/2001.			

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Statement by the Polish delegation Poland is in favour of the adoption of community legislation concerning issues of the award of public procurement contracts in the field of defence and security. Such regulations should aim at enhancing competitiveness of European defence equipment market while creating a level playing field leading to enhanced competitiveness of national defence industries. We underline the fact that the adoption of a such directive regulating above mentioned issues should be preceded by thorough analysis concerning its impact assessment focusing in particular on its impact on competitiveness, security of supply, participation of Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, labour market as well as the geographical distribution of the defence equipment production among the European Union Member States. The issue has become of even more importance in view of the economic and financial crisis that has occurred during the last phase of the legislative work on the directive and which concerns the defence sector in a particular manner. In Poland's opinion there is a risk that the adoption of the Directive in its current wording would deepen the existing differences between national defence industries. This may lead to disadvantageous effects such as: bankruptcy of defence enterprises, unemployment rate increase and as a worst case scenario a decline of defence sector on a national level. Poland expresses its belief that the proposals aiming at limiting the possible consequences of abovementioned phenomena were not dealt with due concern during the legislative work on the directive. The Directive should not limit national rules on offset arrangements. Therefore, Poland would like to express its belief that the current proposal would neither lead to the creation of a level playing field and the increase of efficiency of national defence industries nor to the enhanced competitiveness of the European defence market. Statement by Austria regarding certain terms used in the Directive: Austria would point out that, in Austria, the term "Verdingungsunterlagen" ("contract documents") refers to "Ausschreibungsunterlagen" ("documents relating to the call for tenders"). Furthermore, in Austria, the term "Eignungskriterien" ("selection criteria") also covers "Auswahlkriterien" ("eligibility criteria"). Written procedure completed on 10 July 2009			

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Commission Regulation (EC) No 690/2009 of 30 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 216/2008 of the European Parliament and the Council on common rules in the field of civil aviation and establishing a European Aviation Safety Agency, and repealing Council Directive 91/670/EEC, Regulation (EC) No 1592/2002 and Directive 2004/36/EC (Text with EEA relevance) 2956th meeting of the Council of the European Union (AGRICULTURE), held in Brussels on 13 July 2009	11473/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
2009/562/EC: Council Decision of 13 July 2009 concerning the non-inclusion of metam in Annex I to Directive 91/414/EEC and the withdrawal of authorisations for plant protection products containing that substance (Text with EEA relevance)	10433/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except: abstention : BE against : DK, IE, RO, SI
Council Directive 2009/82/EC of 13 July 2009 amending Directive 91/414/EEC to include tetraconazole as an active substance (Text with EEA relevance)	10434/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except: against : DK, IE, IT, NL
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 808/2004 concerning Community statistics on the information society	PE-CONS 3637/09 + REV 3 (pt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the minimum safety and health requirements for the use of work equipment by workers at work (second individual Directive within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/391/EEC) (codified version)	PE-CONS 3633/09 + COR 1 (nl) + COR 2 (es) + REV 1 (lt) + REV 2 (pl) + REV 3 (ro)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on reciprocal recognition of navigability licences for inland waterway vessels (codified version)	PE-CONS 3630/09 + REV 1 (mt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except: abstention : UK
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on coordination of safeguards which, for the protection of the interests of members and third parties, are required by Member States of companies within the meaning of the second paragraph of Article 48 of the Treaty, with a view to making such safeguards equivalent (codified version)	PE-CONS 3631/09 + COR 1 (nl) + REV 1 (pl) + REV 1 COR 1 (pl) + REV 2 (lt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to insurance against civil liability in respect of the use of motor vehicles, and the enforcement of the obligation to insure against such liability (codified version)	PE-CONS 3632/09 + COR 1 (lt) + COR 2 + REV 1 (mt) + REV 1 COR 1(mt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to simple pressure vessels (codified version)	PE-CONS 3634/09 + COR 1 (hu) + COR 2 (fr) + REV 1 (ro) + REV 2 (bg)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council in the area of company law on single-member private limited liability companies (codified version)	PE-CONS 3636/1/09 REV 1 + REV 2 (pl)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
2957th meeting of the Council of the European Union (GENERAL AFFAIRS and EXTERNAL RELATIONS), held in Brussels on 27 July 2009			
Council Regulation (EC) No 753/2009 of 27 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 43/2009, as regards fishing opportunities and associated conditions for certain fish stocks	11973/09 + COR 1 (lv)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Council Regulation (EC) No 754/2009 of 27 July 2009 excluding certain groups of vessels from the fishing effort regime laid down in Chapter III of Regulation (EC) No 1342/2008	11974/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 (sk) + COR 3 (cs)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 98/8/EC concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market as regards the extension of certain time periods	PE-CONS 3624/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (ro)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Commission Statement concerning data protection, data sharing and 'free riders' The Commission notes the issues concerning data protection, data sharing and 'alleged free riders' that have been raised during the discussions on the proposal for the extension of certain time periods under the Biocides Directive. The Commission will consider appropriate solutions to the identified problems in the framework of the substantive revision of the Biocides Directive. Commission Statement concerning the creation by Member States of correlation tables The Commission recalls its position concerning the creation by Member States of correlation tables linking the transposition measures taken by the Member States with the Directive, in the interest of citizens, Better Regulation and transparency and to assist the examination of the conformity of national rules with Community provisions. In this instance, the Commission does not stand in the way of an agreement at Council with a view to the successful conclusion of the inter-institutional procedure on this file and in light of the ongoing horizontal discussions on this matter between the institutions.			
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1692/2006 establishing the second "Marco Polo" programme for the granting of Community financial assistance to improve the environmental performance of the freight transport system ("Marco Polo II")	PE-CONS 3660/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the participation by the Community in a European metrology research and development programme undertaken by several Member States	PE-CONS 3661 + COR 1 (cs) + COR 2 (de) + COR 3 (mt) + REV 1 (nl)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on substances that deplete the ozone layer (recast)	PE-CONS 3622/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (es) + REV 2 (lt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except: abstention : MT
Commission Statement The Commission confirms its intention to consider by 30 June 2010 the inclusion of additional substances in Part B of Annex II to the Regulation, in particular evaluating whether the conditions for their inclusion set out in Article 24(3) are fulfilled. This accelerated examination will focus on the following substances: Hexachlorobutadiene, 2-Bromopropane (iso-propyl bromide) and Iodomethane (methyl iodide).			

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Malta's Statement Malta is concerned with the narrow interpretation being given to Article 6 (2), Article 13 (4) and the list of critical uses contained in Annex VI with respect to the use of halons on non-military ships. Malta does not agree with the narrow interpretation that maintains that there are only two cases on merchant ships where halons can be used for making inert occupied spaces, namely, the inertisation of flour pumps in occupied spaces and the inertisation of certain occupied spaces on petroleum/oil/gas/ tankers. This narrow interpretation is detrimental to the Community's interests without adding value to the protection of the environment considering, inter alia, that vessels operating under third countries' flags will not be affected by the provisions of this Regulation, even within European ports. Third country maritime Administrations implement standards set by the International Maritime Organisation, within the context of the related 1992 amendments to the International Convention on the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS). This widens the competitive disadvantage of European maritime flags vis-à-vis third country flags jeopardizing directly the interests of Member States. In turn this compromises the ability of the Community to exert influence in the maritime industry not only without any counter gain but with a net loss. Malta maintains that the uses of halon 2402 and 1301 in machinery spaces containing combustion engines, oil fired boilers or oil fuel units and generators, cargo pump rooms and other similar spaces, on ships built before 1 October 1994 (the date of entry into force of the 1992 SOLAS amendments) are considered as critical uses of halon.			
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directives 77/91/EEC, 78/855/EEC and 82/891/EEC, and Directive 2005/56/EC as regards reporting and documentation requirements in the case of mergers and divisions	PE-CONS 3644/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (nl) + COR 3 (de) + REV 1 (ro)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except : against : DE, AT

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Statement by the Austrian delegation Austria supports the Directive's aim of reducing the administrative burden on companies. In this respect, Austria welcomes many of the envisaged measures. However, Austria still has the following major concerns which have been raised repeatedly in the proceedings of the Council working party: in the case of a merger between a wholly-owned subsidiary and the parent company, it is not permissible under Article 25 of the Third Directive to call a general meeting. However, taking a reorganisation measure without a resolution of the general meeting is incompatible with the basic tenets of Austrian company law, namely with the distribution of powers between the management and the general meeting (owners) and with the legal protection system arising from the resolution of the general meeting. Thus the provision would give rise to a major need to amend national law which would not be offset by any substantial advantages in terms of the administrative burden on companies, because the general meeting of a wholly-owned subsidiary can be held with a minimum of organisation and costs. Austria therefore rejects the Directive.			

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Statement by the German delegation Germany attaches great importance to the aim of reducing the administrative burden on companies and emphatically supports the EU action programme to reduce bureaucracy. On two counts, however, the transformation into binding rules of what were hitherto options for Member States does not lead to simplification but to a considerable administrative burden for Germany and may lead to additional pressure on companies. Germany cannot therefore agree to the Directive. This is because the general meeting of a subsidiary in the case of a merger and/or division of a company is dispensed with. This is irreconcilable with the fundamental division of powers under German company law between the board of directors and the owners/shareholders represented at the general meeting. Germany is also obliged to impose on its companies a hitherto unknown right of sell-out of shares prior to a company merger, although in this case protection of minority shareholders is sufficiently guaranteed by other means. Germany would therefore welcome the retention of the options in both cases. Germany finds the insistence on these changes incomprehensible, as the alleviations concerning three other points are retained only as options or are incorporated as new options, departing from the original Commission proposal. Many of the simplifications proposed by the Directive have been in force in Germany for a long time (possibility for shareholders to dispense with reporting requirements) or will be incorporated into German law on 1 August 2009 (possibility of electronic publication in the case of a merger or division). Germany has thereby already ensured simplification and the reduction of costs to a considerable extent, and this should be made obligatory throughout the Community in the future only following implementation of the Directive.			
Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on interoperability solutions for European public administrations (ISA)	PE-CONS 3667/09 + REV 1 (lt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on trade in seal products	PE-CONS 3668/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (dk) + COR 3 (de) + REV 1 (ga)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except : abstention : DK, RO, AT

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Statement by Denmark Denmark has during the negotiations underlined the economic and cultural importance of seal hunting for Greenland, especially for the Greenlandic hunters who live in small, remote coastal communities and who rely heavily on the trade in sealskin. Seal hunting in Greenland takes place on a sustainable basis. Denmark acknowledges that the Regulation permits trade in seal products resulting from hunts conducted by Inuit communities. However, Denmark is of the opinion that trade in seal products as a whole is a legitimate activity, which should not be unnecessarily hampered and stigmatised. Denmark is of the opinion that the Regulation could negatively impact the trade in seal products and as a consequence have severe adverse effects for the Greenlandic seal hunters. Denmark doubts whether there is a market rationale and justification for the Regulation as adopted, noting in particular that sustainable seal hunting is possible with full respect for legitimate animal welfare concerns. Against this background, Denmark has decided to abstain from voting. Statement by Sweden, Finland and Estonia The delegations of Sweden, Finland and Estonia wish to make the following statement concerning the adoption of the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning trade in Seal Products. The Regulation introduces a general ban on the placing on the market of seal products, with some exemptions. These exemptions are of fundamental importance, in order to ensure that seal products that result from hunting regulated under national law with the sole purpose of the sustainable management of marine resources and hunts traditionally conducted by Inuit and other indigenous communities can continue to be placed on the European market. In this context, Sweden, Finland and Estonia would like to point out that hunting is not an area of EC competence, unless it is linked to the conservation of species. Sweden, Finland and Estonia would also like to express their concern on the negative trade policy implications the Council Regulation will have and the likely harm this regulation will bring to EC trade relations with important trading partners.			

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Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 87/372/EEC on the frequency bands to be reserved for the coordinated introduction of public pan European cellular digital land based mobile communications in the Community	PE-CONS 3673/09 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (mt) + COR 3 (mt)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems	PE-CONS 3646/09 + COR 1 (pt) + COR 2 (ga)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Statement by the Council ad title II The Council considers that, where, under Title II of the draft implementing Regulation, information has to be made available, it is to be understood that this information will be provided without delay at the request of the institution of the Member State concerned and not automatically.			
Statement by the Council ad article 16 In relation to Article 16, the Council considers that this provision does not apply in cases where an activity exercised in another Member State is considered to be marginal within the meaning of Article 14(5)(b).			

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Statement by the Spanish delegation ad Article 25(5), (6) and (7) Spain considers that Article 25(5), (6) and (7) of the Common Position is related to Article 19 of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 and has to be understood and interpreted in this way. Therefore, bearing in mind that the Spanish Public Health Services, according to Spanish legislation, do not refund, except in exceptional cases of vital emergency, treatments provided by private health institutions, the Spanish Social Security Administrations will apply paragraph 7 and will not be able to provide national reimbursement rates in these cases. For treatments provided by doctors and hospitals depending on public institutions, taking into account that the sharing of costs by the insured person does not exist, the invoices that are issued by public doctors and hospitals correspond to the actual amount referred to in Article 62 of the Common Position. Statement by the Spanish delegation ad Article 30 Spain considers that Article 30 of this Regulation should have included paragraph 2 of the Ruling on the case C-50/05, Maija T I Nikula that establishes: <i>"However, Article 39 EC precludes the amount of pensions received from institutions of another Member State from being taken into account if contributions have already been paid in that other State out of income from work received in that State. It is for the persons concerned to prove that the earlier contributions were in fact paid."</i> Trying to obtain the necessary consensus and unanimity, the Spanish delegation can accept not including a specific paragraph in Article 30 which would refer to paragraph 2 of this ruling, convinced that, in any case, the content of this judgment will continue to be applicable and therefore institutions and beneficiaries could require its implementation. In this sense, the Spanish Administration reserves its right to support the claims of the eventual beneficiaries of this ruling. Furthermore, the Spanish Administration is committed, in the event that a Member State applies Article 30 of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 and consequently deducts contributions from the Spanish pensions in order to finance their sickness insurance, to reach agreements and arrangements with this Member State for assuming and transferring directly the amounts of contributions. The intention of the Spanish Administration is to avoid financial losses to the detriment of migrant workers who are beneficiaries of Spanish pensions and who reside in the territory of other Member States which provide for the collection of contributions on these pensions.			

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Statement by the Council ad article 33 With regard to Article 33, the Council considers that : - the document to be established by the Administrative Commission for the determination of the legislation applicable should clearly require that an indication be given with regard to the worker's entitlement to any benefits in respect of accidents at work and occupational diseases; - as in the case of Article 36(1) and (2) of the basic Regulation, paragraphs (1) and (2) of Article 33 should be considered jointly. Joint Statement by the Austrian, German, Italian, Netherlands and Spanish delegations ad articles 45(6), 46(2) and (3) While recognising the importance that the implementing Regulation - does not restrict the rights of a person to defer a pension under the legislation of one or more Member States (Article 46(2) of the Common Position) or to withdraw a claim for a pension not in all Member States involved (Article 46(3) of the Common Position); or - does not oblige Member States to grant retroactive pensions if the person concerned withholds information on periods completed in that state when claiming a pension of other Member States (Article 45(6) of the Common Position); the agreement of Austria, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands and Spain to these provisions is subject to the understanding that this is no obstacle to the application of national legislation or legal principles due to which a renunciation of rights which could be claimed cannot lead to a burden for institutions granting social security benefits or institutions granting income support or any kind of social assistance. Statement by the Council ad article 54 The Council considers that further examination by the Administrative Commission will be needed in order to settle practical implementing measures, namely with respect to the technical aspects of the calculation of unemployment benefits for self-employed persons.			

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Statement by the Council ad article 55(4) Article 55(4) provides for a requirement that the institution of the Member State to which an unemployed person has gone to seek work should provide monthly information upon request. The Council considers that there is no need to specify in the text that the information requested includes details as to whether the unemployed person is actively seeking work, since the competent institution in the Member State where the unemployed person has gone to seek work will treat that person in the same way as an unemployed person under its own legislation, ensuring that the unemployed person is subject to the same obligations and checking procedures. In addition, it is to be understood that the non-provision of information on a monthly basis by the institution of the Member State where the unemployed person seeks work does not, in itself, lead to the suspension of the award of benefits by the competent Member State. Statement by the Council ad article 59 The Council considers that it is to be understood that Article 59 covers changes of both competence and the order of priority right between Member States. Statement by the Council ad article 60 The Council considers that, with respect to Article 60 and in relation to the priority rules referred to in Article 68 of the basic Regulation, it should be made clear that for the purpose of the application of Article 68 “rights available on the basis of an activity as an employed or self-employed person” means rights under the legislation of a Member State whose legislation applies under Title II of the basic Regulation because of the exercise of an activity as an employed or self-employed person, including the cases mentioned under Article 11(2) of the basic Regulation. Statement by the Council ad article 64 With respect to Article 64, the Council considers that, for the calculation of the annual average cost per person in each of the age groups listed in that Article, a Member State may determine aggregate averages on the basis of their statistical data where these data are broken down into smaller age groups.			

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Statement by the Council ad article 70 With respect to Article 70, the Council considers that further examination by the Administrative Commission will be needed with regard to reimbursement methods. No later than five years after the entry into force of this Regulation, this provision should therefore be evaluated in order to examine if it results in an equal and balanced sharing of costs between Member States. In addition, the Council agrees that this Article has no impact on the content of Article 86 of the basic Regulation. Statement by the Council ad article 72(3) The Council agrees that the obligation to transfer without delay should not apply to small amounts in order to avoid disproportionate costs. Statement by the Commission with regard to data forwarded through the EESSI (Electronic Exchange of Social Security Information) network The data forwarded through EESSI (Electronic Exchange of Social Security Information) network, pertaining to social security coordination laid down by Regulation 883/2004 and its implementing regulation is solely exchanged between competent institutions and for the purpose of the aforementioned Regulations. The Commission recalls that currently according to Regulations 1408/71 and 574/72 the same data are exchanged between competent institutions mostly using paper forms. The directory doesn't contain sensitive data as it provides details of the institutions dealing with all social security branches as it now exists for sickness institutions for the purpose of the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). The Commission reaffirms that the data that are forwarded through the EESSI network is encrypted during transit between the Access Points. The Commission has no access to the data exchanged via the EESSI network for other purposes than for guaranteeing, from a technical point of view, the proper operational functioning, the maintenance and the development of the EESSI network.			
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 on the coordination of social security systems, and determining the content of its annexes	PE-CONS 3647/09	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Unilateral Statement by the Portuguese Delegation Ad Article 1(17) Portugal agrees with the changes to Article 62(3) of the basic Regulation, ensuring that the same calculation method of unemployment benefits applies to both frontier and non-frontier workers who during the last activity resided in a Member State other than the competent Member State, and recalls the statement included in the Minutes of the Council which approved that Regulation, according to which “the Council and the Commission acknowledge that the agreement of Portugal on Articles 11(3)(c) and 65(6) and (7) is without prejudice to Portugal’s request for fair treatment in the sharing of costs between Portugal and other States which are not members of the European Union, in the context of the agreements to be negotiated following the adoption of this Regulation.” Joint Statement Government of Malta and the European Commission The inclusion of the pensions payable under the Armed Forces Act (Cap 220); Police Act (Cap 164); Prisons Act (Cap 260); and Pensions Ordinance (Cap 93) within the scope of Regulation (EC) No 883/2004 is without prejudice to the classification of such schemes in/according to national law. Unilateral Statement by the Italian Delegation The agreement of Italy on Article 87(10 a) is without prejudice to Italy's request for fair treatment in the sharing of costs between Italy and other States which are not members of the European Union, in the context of the agreements to be negotiated following the adoption of this Regulation.			

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Unilateral Statement by the Netherlands Delegation In relation to the entry "Q. NETHERLANDS" (5) as laid down in the Commission proposal, which contained an insurance fiction for situations where the applicable legislation and/or the competence between Member States to grant family benefits changes, it was agreed that this entry was no longer necessary due to the provisions of the new Article 59(2) of the Common Position which prescribes that the payment of family benefits (in cases where the applicable legislation and/or the competence between Member States changes) takes effect from the date on which the first Member State ceases payment.			
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit rating agencies	PE-CONS 3642/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 + COR 3 (sk) + COR 4 (sv) + REV 1 (sl) + REV 1 COR 1 (sl) + REV 1 COR 2 (sl) + REV 2 (cs) + REV 2 COR 1 (cs) + REV 3 (de) + REV 3 COR 1 (de)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on cross-border payments in the Community and repealing Regulation (EC) No 2560/2001	PE-CONS 3665/09 + COR 1 (cs)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour except : abstention : DE, FI

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Statement by the Polish Delegation In the course of negotiations, and in a spirit of compromise, Poland agreed to the introduction of new provisions concerning both the multilateral interchange fee (MIF) and the reachability of payment service providers, provided that Member States outside the euro area were accorded adequate transitional periods to allow the necessary adaptation of and investment in their national payment systems, with due regard for the specificity of local markets. Poland's concerns have been heightened by the decisions taken in the course of negotiations with the European Parliament, whereby the transitional periods of five and two years respectively, as laid down in Article 8(4), were shortened to four years and one year respectively; this could have fundamental negative consequences for the Polish banking sector. Nevertheless, Poland supports the compromise. However, Poland would stress that non-euro area Member States which enter the euro area after 1 November 2013 will still be able to benefit from the transitional period ending on 1 November 2014; it considers that this much is evident from Article 8(4) and recital 13.			
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directives 2006/48/EC, 2006/49/EC and 2007/64/EC as regards banks affiliated to central institutions, certain own funds items, large exposures, supervisory arrangements, and crisis management	PE-CONS 3670/09 + REV 1 (es) + REV 2 (bu) + REV 3 (de)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on the taking up, pursuit and prudential supervision of the business of electronic money institutions amending Directives 2005/60/EC and 2006/48/EC and repealing Directive 2000/46/EC	PE-CONS 3666/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 (bu) + COR 3 (el) + COR 4 (sv) + REV 1 (lt) + REV 2 (it)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community programme to support specific activities in the field of financial services, financial reporting and auditing	PE-CONS 3671/09 + REV 1 (hu) + REV 2 (de)	Qualified majority	All Member States in favour

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Written procedure completed on 3 July 2009 Amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Court of First Instance of the European Communities 9747/09 + COR 1 (sv) 2009/528/EC,Euratom: Council Decision of 3 July 2009 appointing a new member of the Commission of the European Communities 11528/09 Written procedure completed on 6 July 2009 Council Regulation (EC) No 613/2009 of 6 July 2009 laying down the weightings applicable from 1 July 2008 to the remuneration of officials, temporary staff and contract staff of the European Communities serving in third countries 10447/09 Statement by Denmark Denmark considers it essential for EU officials to be able to enjoy equality of treatment across borders. Since the adjustment method adopted is based on freedom of choice and therefore does not embody full equality of treatment, Denmark is voting against the proposal. Denmark would also note its opposition in principle to the method of adjusting the remuneration and pensions of EU officials, given the high level of salaries in the EU institutions. 2954th meeting of the Council of the European Union (ECONOMIC and FINANCIAL AFFAIRS), held in Brussels on 7 July 2009	

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Council Regulation (EC) No 625/2009 of 7 July 2009 on common rules for imports from certain third countries (Codified version) 10347/09 Council Regulation (EC) No 598/2009 of 7 July 2009 imposing a definitive countervailing duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of biodiesel originating in the United States of America 11080/09 + COR 1 (ro) Council Regulation (EC) No 599/2009 of 7 July 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of biodiesel originating in the United States of America 11084/09 Council Conclusions on pro-cyclicality 11880/09 2009/591/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Latvia 11659/09 Council Recommendation to Latvia with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11660/09	

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2009/587/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Malta 11395/09 Council Recommendation to Malta with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11396/09 2009/588/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Lithuania 11397/09 Council Recommendation to Lithuania with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11398/09 2009/589/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Poland 11399/09 Council Recommendation to Poland with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11400/09	

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Council Recommendation to Hungary with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11404/09 2009/590/EC: Council Decision of 7 July 2009 on the existence of an excessive deficit in Romania 11401/09 Council Recommendation to Romania with a view to bringing an end to the situation of an excessive government deficit 11402/09 Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Belgium, 2008-2013 11627/09 Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Austria, 2008-2013 11628/09 Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated stability programme of Slovenia, 2008-2011 11629/09 Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the stability programme of Slovakia, 2008-2011 11630/09 Council Opinion of 7 July 2009 on the updated convergence programme of Romania, 2008-2011 11631/09	

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Written procedure completed on 9 July 2009 2009/532/EC: Council Decision, meeting in the composition of Heads of State or Government of 9 July 2009 nominating the person it intends to appoint as President of the Commission for the period 2009-2014 11811/09 2956th meeting of the Council of the European Union (AGRICULTURE), held in Brussels on 13 July 2009 Council Regulation (EC) No 617/2009 of 13 July 2009 opening an autonomous tariff quota for imports of high-quality beef 11276/09 Council Decision on the position to be taken by the Community concerning the proposal to amend the Customs Convention on the International Transport of goods under cover of TIR carnets (TIR Convention 1975) 11044/09 + COR 1 (fi) + REV 1 (hu) + REV 1 COR 1 (hu) + REV 2 (it) + REV 3 (sk) + REV 4 (pl) Council Regulation (EC) No 626/2009 of 13 July 2009 concluding the partial interim review pursuant to Article 11(3) of Regulation (EC) No 384/96 of the anti-dumping duty on imports of certain graphite electrode systems originating in India 11325/09	

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2009/592/EC: Council Decision of 13 July 2009 amending Decision 2009/290/EC of 20 January 2009 providing Community medium-term financial assistance for Latvia 11805/09 Council Decision on the signature and provisional application of the Interim Partnership Agreement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Pacific States, of the other part 5558/2/09 + ADD 1-20 + ADD 12 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 13 REV 1 (pt) + ADD 19 COR 1 (et) + ADD 19 COR 2 (mt) Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Interim Agreement establishing a framework for an Economic Partnership Agreement between the Eastern and Southern Africa States, on the one part, and the European Community and its Member States, on the other part 5556/09 + ADD 1-35 + COR 1 (sk) + COR 2 (de) + ADD 4 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 7 REV 1 (pt) + ADD 13 COR 1 (pt) + ADD 13 COR 2 (bg) + ADD 15 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 17 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 18 REV 1 + ADD 19 REV 1 + ADD 20 REV 1 + ADD 21 REV 1 + ADD 22 REV 1 + ADD 23 REV 1 + ADD 24 REV 1 + ADD 26 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 29 COR 1 (pt)+ ADD 29 COR 2 (bg) + ADD 30 COR 1 (bg) + ADD 32 COR 1 (bg)+ ADD 32 COR 2 (sk) + ADD 35 COR 1 (bg) Council Decision fixing the financial contributions to be paid by the Member States contributing to the European Development Fund (Second instalment for 2009) 11543/09 Written procedure completed on 16 July 2009	

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2009/552/EC,Euratom: Council Decision of 16 July 2009 appointing a new Member of the Commission of the European Communities 11878/1/09 REV 1 (en) 2957th meeting of the Council of the European Union (GENERAL AFFAIRS and EXTERNAL RELATIONS), held in Brussels on 27 July 2009 Council Decision on the conclusion by the European Community of the Interim Agreement between the European Community, the European Coal and Steel Community and the European Atomic Energy Community, of the one part, and Turkmenistan, of the other part, on trade and trade-related matters 11549/1/09 REV 1 Council Decision 2009/597/CFSP of 27 July 2009 on the signing and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Croatia on the participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Operation Atalanta) 10088/09 + COR 1 (fi)	

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Statement by the Member States of the EU regarding the waiver of claims, for the participation of the Republic of Croatia in operation Atalanta The EU Member States applying the EU Joint Action 2008/851/CFSP on a European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (operation 'Atalanta') will endeavour, insofar as their internal legal systems so permit, to waive as far as possible claims against the Republic of Croatia for injury, death of their personnel, or damage to, or loss of, any assets owned by themselves and used by the EU crisis management operation if such injury, death, damage or loss: was caused by personnel from the Republic of Croatia in the execution of their duties in connection with operation Atalanta, except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct, or arose from the use of any assets owned by the Republic of Croatia, provided that the assets were used in connection with the operation and except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct of Operation Atalanta personnel from the Republic of Croatia using those assets. Statement by the Republic of Croatia regarding the waiver of claims against any State participating in operation Atalanta The Republic of Croatia applying the EU Joint Action 2008/851/CFSP on a European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (operation 'Atalanta') will endeavour, insofar as its internal legal system so permits, to waive as far as possible claims against any other State participating in operation Atalanta for injury, death of their personnel, or damage to, or loss of, any assets owned by itself and used by operation Atalanta if such injury, death, damage or loss: was caused by personnel in the execution of their duties in connection with operation Atalanta, except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct, - or arose from the use of any assets owned by States participating in operation Atalanta, provided that the assets were used in connection with the operation and except in case of gross negligence or wilful misconduct of EU crisis management operation personnel using those assets.	

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Statement by Spain Concerning the draft "Council Decision on the signing and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Croatia on the participation of the Republic of Croatia in the European Union military operation to contribute to the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast (Operation 'Atalanta')", Spain, in accordance with article 24.5 of the TEU, declares that, due to the content of this instrument, it will have to comply with the requirements of its own constitutional procedure. This Declaration does not prevent the provisional application of the agreement, as expressly foreseen in it.	
Council Joint Action 2009/571/CFSP of 27 July 2009 extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative for the crisis in Georgia 11833/09 + COR 1 (pl) + REV 1 (nl)	
Council Decision 2009/570/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending and extending Decision 2008/901/CFSP concerning the independent international fact-finding mission on the conflict in Georgia 11823/09	
Council Joint Action 2009/572/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending and extending Joint Action 2008/736/CFSP on the European Union Monitoring Mission in Georgia, EUMM Georgia 11471/09	
Council Common Position 2009/573/CFSP of 27 July 2009 amending Common Position 2006/795/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea 11854/09 + COR 1 (fi)	
Council Conclusions on Kenya 12440/09	

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Council Regulation (EC) No 680/2009 of 27 July 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 423/2007 concerning restrictive measures against Iran 11085/09 Council Decision 2009/569/CFSP of 27 July 2009 on support for OPCW activities in the framework of the implementation of the EU Strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction 10317/09 Council Conclusions on the Special Report No. 3/2009 by the European Court of Auditors concerning the effectiveness of Structural measures spending on waste water treatment for the 1994-1999 and 2000-2006 programme periods 11995/09 2009/593/EC: Council Decision of 27 July 2009 amending Decision 1999/70/EC concerning the external auditors of the national central banks, as regards the external auditors of the Banka Slovenije 11244/09 Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the Community, of the Arrangement between the European Community, of the one part, and the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein, of the other part, on the modalities of the participation by those States in the European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders of the Member States of the European Union 10701/09	

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Action Plan on drugs between the EU and the Western Balkan countries (2009-2013) 12185/09 Council Conclusions with regard to Special Report from the Court of Auditors No. 4/2009 on the Commission's management of non–state actors' involvement in EC Development Cooperation 12194/09 + COR 1 (fi) Council Regulation (EC) No 681/2009 of 27 July 2009 terminating the new exporter review of Regulation (EC) No 192/2007 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain polyethylene terephthalate originating, inter alia, in Malaysia, re-imposing the duty with regard to imports from one exporter in this country and terminating the registration of these imports 11564/09 + COR 1 (et) Council Regulation (EC) No 703/2009 of 27 July 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed on imports of wire rod originating in the People's Republic of China and terminating the proceeding concerning imports of wire rod originating in the Republic of Moldova and Turkey 11865/09 Council Regulation (EC) No 682/2009 of 27 July 2009 terminating the partial interim review of the anti-dumping measures applicable to imports of certain plastic sacks and bags originating in the People's Republic of China 11777/09	

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2009/618/EC: Council Decision of 27 July 2009 concerning the conclusion of consultations with the Republic of Guinea under Article 96 of the Cotonou agreement 11766/09 Council Decision on the signature and provisional application of the Agreement establishing a framework for an Economic Partnership Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on one part, and the East African Community Partner States, on the other part 17462/08 + ADD 1-9 + COR 1 (it) + COR 2 (hu) + COR 3 (et) + COR 4 (hu) + COR 5 + COR 6 (se)+ ADD 2 REV 1 + ADD 3 REV 1 + ADD 4 REV 1 + ADD 5 REV 1 + ADD 9 REV 1 (it) Council Decision amending the rules laying down the detailed arrangements for applying the provisions relating to the grant of the unemployment allowance to members of the temporary staff pursuant to Article 28a(10) of the Conditions of Employment of Other Servants of the European Communities 11712/09 + REV 1 (mt) Council Conclusions on application by Iceland for membership of the European Union 12311/09 2958th meeting of the Council of the European Union (GENERAL AFFAIRS and EXTERNAL RELATIONS) held in Brussels on 27 and 28 July 2009 Council Conclusions on Somalia 12441/09	

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Council Conclusions on EUMM Georgia 12243/09 Written procedure completed on 4 August 2009 Council Decision 2009/599/CFSP of 4 August 2009 implementing Common Position 2006/795/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea 12387/09 + COR 1 + COR 2 (fi) Written procedure completed on 7 August 2009 Council Joint Action 2009/605/CFSP of 7 August 2009 amending Joint Action 2009/137/CFSP extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in Kosovo 12480/09 + REV 1 (sk) + REV 2(el) Written procedure completed on 13 August 2009 Council Common Position 2009/615/CFSP of 13 August 2009 amending Common Position 2006/318/CFSP renewing restrictive measures against Burma/Myanmar 12582/09 + COR 1 (sv) + ADD 1 Written procedure completed on 17 August 2009	

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Council Regulation (EC) No 768/2009 of 17 August 2009 amending Regulation (EC) No 1890/2005 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain stainless steel fasteners and parts thereof originating, inter alia , in Vietnam 12433/09 Written procedure completed on 27 August 2009 Council Regulation (EC) No 803/2009 of 27 August 2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain tube and pipe fittings, of iron or steel, originating in the People's Republic of China and Thailand, and those consigned from Taiwan, whether declared as originating in Taiwan, or not, and repealing the exemption granted to Chup Hsin Enterprise Co. Ltd. and Nian Hong Pipe Fittings Co. Ltd. 12593/1/09 REV 1	