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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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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, shall 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 on the above mentioned 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 shall draw up the provisional agenda.

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At the start of the meeting, the Member of the European Council representing the Member State holding the six-monthly Presidency of the Council will provide an overview of progress on the implementation of earlier European Council conclusions.

I. DEFENCE

The European Council will welcome the launch of Permanent Structured Cooperation.

It will also review progress in other fields, notably on EU-NATO cooperation.

II. SOCIAL, EDUCATION AND CULTURE

The European Council will adopt conclusions on social as well as on education and culture following up to the Gothenburg Social Summit.

In the light of events, the European Council may address specific foreign policy issues.

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Under the Leaders' Agenda, Heads will hold a thematic debate on the way forward on the external and internal dimension of migration policy. No conclusions are envisaged.
