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SUMMARY RECORD

Extraordinary meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE (Part 2)

11 December 2020

I. Adoption of the agenda

CM 5355/1/20 REV 1

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

The Committee approved the "I" item as set out in the Annex.

III. Discussion items

General Affairs

Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 and Recovery Package 12795/20 + COR 1

a) MFF 2021-2027 Regulation 9970/20

Request for the consent of the European Parliament
Final adoption of the legislative act by the Council following
receipt of the consent of the European Parliament
Decision to use the written procedure

b) MFF 2021-2027: IIA 12723/20

Approval
Request for the approval of the European Parliament and of the
European Commission
Decision to use the written procedure

c) MFF 2021-2027 - Declarations 12793/20

Request for the approval of the European Parliament and of the
European Commission
Approval of the joint declarations
Decision to use the written procedure
Decision to publish in the Official Journal

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| d) | Own Resources Decision
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act</i> | 10046/20 |
| e) | Regulation on the protection of the Union budget
<i>Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons</i>
<i>Approval of the joint statement</i>
<i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> | 9980/20 + ADD 1
13051/20 |
| f) | European Recovery Instrument
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption of the legislative act</i> | 9971/20 |
| g) | Draft letters to the European Parliament and the Commission
<i>Approval of letters</i>
<i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> | 13027/20 |

The Committee agreed to use the written procedure for the finalisation of the MFF and Recovery package.

Statement by the Netherlands

"The Netherlands considers the negotiations on the Multiannual Financial Framework, the Own Resources Decision, the Regulation on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget and the Regulation establishing a Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) as a package. It is of utmost importance to respect the delicate balance of the European Council conclusions of 17-21 July 2020 and to ensure that the legislative texts are in conformity with these conclusions. At the moment, the RRF regulation is still in the trilogue phase so the final outcome is not known.

The Netherlands welcomes the agreement on the new Council Decision (EU, Euratom) on the system of own resources of the European Union (ORD). In the spirit of the principle of sincere cooperation and to allow for a swift introduction of the funds aimed at addressing the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic, the Netherlands will vote in favour of the Council Decision, so that Member States may start their national procedures, in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements, required for the entry into force of the Council Decision.

Given the need to assess the complete package indicated above, including as a requirement to be able to receive parliamentary approval for the ORD, the Dutch government will only send the ORD to parliament after the trilogues on the proposed RRF regulation have led to a satisfactory outcome in full conformity with the European Council conclusions of 17-21 July. In the meantime, the Dutch government is finalising the necessary preparatory work that will allow for the start of the national parliamentary approval procedure, required by the Dutch Constitution."

Statement by the Commission

"In case of observed breaches once the regulation enters into force, the Commission will analyse and assess and subsequent to the finalization of the guidelines would bring measures forward to the Council."

Statement by Hungary

"The full implementation in good faith of the European Council conclusions and the related statements by the Commission on the interpretation and application of the regulation on a general regime of conditionality for the protection of the Union budget pertains to Hungary's vital national interests and is a precondition of Hungary's consent to any legislative act related to the multiannual financial framework for the years 2021 to 2027, including Next Generation EU."

Economic and Financial Affairs

Council position on the second draft budget 2021	13890/20
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i>	13891/20
	+ ADD 1 - 4

The Committee agreed on the Council position and agreed to use the written position for its adoption.

IV. Any other business

Euro Summit

The Committee took note of the debriefing provided.

Statement by Italy

"Making reference to the statement of the Euro summit of 11th December 2020, Italy confirms the following:

- that the agreement reached today on the reform of the European stability mechanism also includes the agreement on the early introduction of the backstop to the Single Resolution Fund, against the background of a renewed European fiscal policy featuring the implementation of the 2021-2027 MFF and of NGUE.
- that the agreement on the ESM reform is to be considered in the broader context of a package approach that will have to address the needed transformations of the economic and institutional architecture of the EU, also including the possibility to overcome the intergovernmental character of the ESM, progresses on the Banking Union and a review of the SGP with a view to further and improved European integration. Progress on this agenda will be monitored by national Parliament during the process of ratification of the ESM reform."

"I" items approved

General Affairs

Informal meeting of the members of the EU-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Council (Brussels, 17 December 2020)

13079/20
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Establishment of the EU position

Decision to use the written procedure

Statement by Poland

"In relation to the Common Position of the European Union, Poland understands wording "gender equality" as referring to "equality between women and men", in line with art. 2 and art. 3 of the Treaty on European Union. Also Poland understands wording "gender identity" as referring to "sex identity" in line with art. 10, art. 19 para 1 and art. 157 para 2 and 4 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union.

With this clarification, Poland accepts the proposal concerning Common Position of the European Union for INFORMAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE EU-SERBIA STABILISATION AND ASSOCIATION COUNCIL, 17 December 2020."
