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1. Adoption of the provisional agenda and items "I"

doc. 14190/07 OJ/CRP1 37

14156/07 OJ/CRP2 37 COMIX 904

The above mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes :

The following items are **withdrawn** :

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

10. Adoption of a Council Decision approving the conclusion of the renewal, by the Commission, of an Agreement between the European Atomic Energy Community (Euratom) and the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organisation (KEDO)

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(Coreper Part 1, under I)

34. Proposal for a Council Regulation adapting Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), by reason of the accession of Bulgaria and Romania

- Adoption

13366/07 COMPET 268 ENV 484 CHIMIE 25 MI 226 ENT 116

14036/07 COMPET 287 ENV 524 CHIMIE 29 MI 242 ENT 128

The Committee approves the "I" items as set out in the summary. Details are contained in the document quoted under item 1.

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24. Preparation of the Council meeting (Justice and Home Affairs) on 8/9 November 2007
- Other items in connection with the Council meeting

A Member State requested that the item EU-LAC Expert Seminar on Migration to be dealt with in the Council under JHA External Relations. It was so agreed.

25. Draft Joint EU/Africa Strategy and First Action Plan (2008-2009) for the implementation of the Joint EU/Africa Strategy

14004/1/07 REV 1 COAFR 309 ACP 183 RELEX 734 COPOL 32
MIGR 96 COMAG 37 COSDP 807 PESC 1202 DEVGEN 188

The Committee discussed the draft Joint EU-Africa Strategy and the draft First Action Plan for its implementation before the EU-Africa Ministerial troika meeting on 31 October in Accra, Ghana. The discussion provided guidance for the final negotiation round of the documents with the African side.

The work of the Committee is contained in document 14004/1/07.

26. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 2004/2003 on the regulations governing political parties at European level and the rules regarding their funding

13810/07 PE 310 INST 114 CODEC 1058
13780/07 JUR 366 PE 308 INST 113 CODEC 1057
14003/07 PE 326 INST 122 CODEC 1084
14075/07 PE 329 INST 123 CODEC 1090

The Committee reached an agreement on:

- the splitting of the proposal into two legal acts - a regulation based on Article 279 TEC, containing the provisions modifying the Financial Regulation, and a regulation containing the remaining provisions of the proposal, based on Article 191 TEC ;
- mandating the Presidency to consult the European Parliament and the Court of Auditors on the modification of Article 109 of Regulation n°1605/2002, in accordance with Article 279 TEC.

27. Presentation of the agenda of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 13 November 2007

The Committee agreed the provisional agenda for this Council meeting.

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35. Preparation of the Council meeting (Environment) on 30 October 2007

- **Renewed EU Sustainable Development Strategy**
 - = **Policy debate**
[Public debate, pursuant to Article 8(3) CRP) (proposed by the Presidency)]
- 14141/07 ENV 536 AGRI 339 ECO 125 ECOFIN 404 ENER 248
DEVGEN 198 MI 246 PECHE 299 RELEX 744 SAN 180 SOC 387 TRANS 312
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- 14238/07 ENV 548 AGRI 346 ECO 127 ECOFIN 408 ENER 250 DEVGEN 202
MI 250 PECHE 307 RELEX 752 SAN 181 SOC 391 TRANS 316 RECH 274
POLGEN 100 EDUC 174

The Committee takes note of the two questions for the policy debate prepared by the Presidency, as set out in document 14141/07.

36. Preparation of the Council meeting (Education, Youth Affairs and Culture) on 15 and 16 November 2007

1. Setting of the provisional agenda

Le Comité marque son accord sur les points repris à l'ordre du jour provisoire (doc. 14800/07).

2. Proposal for a Recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the establishment of the European Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning

- **Political agreement**
14115/07 EDUC 169 SOC 383 CODEC 1094

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du document 14115/06, en vue d'un accord politique sur les amendements du Parlement votés en 1ère lecture.

3. Draft conclusions of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on improving the quality of teacher education

- **Adoption of conclusions**
13930/07 EDUC 161 SOC 371

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du nouveau document 14413/07, en vue de l'adoption des conclusions.

4. **Draft Council Resolution on "Education and Training" as a key driver of the Lisbon Strategy**
- **Adoption of Resolution**
13933/07 EDUC 162 SOC 372 ECOFIN 397

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du document 13933/07, en vue de l'adoption de la résolution.

5. **Draft Council Resolution on "New skills for new jobs"**
- **Adoption of Resolution**
13934/07 EDUC 163 SOC 373 COMPET 285

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du document 14415/07, en vue de l'adoption de la résolution.

6. **"Towards a multilingual Europe"**
- **Presentation of the Commission working document: Report on the implementation of the Commission action plan**
- **Exchange of views**
[Public debate pursuant to article 8(3) of the CRP (proposed by the Presidency)]
13935/07 EDUC 164 SOC 374

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil en vue d'un échange de vues sur la base du document 13935/07.

7. **First EU-Russia Permanent Partnership Council (Lisbon, 25 October 2007)**
- **Outcome of the PPC and exchange of views on future cooperation EU-Russia in the field of Culture**

Le Comité note que ce point fera l'objet d'une présentation et d'un bref débat au Conseil.

8. **Draft Council Resolution on a European agenda for culture**
- **Outcome of the first Cultural Forum for Europe (Lisbon, 26-27 September 2007)**
- **Exchange of views**
- **Adoption of Resolution**
[Public debate pursuant to article 8(3) of the CRP (proposed by the Presidency)]
13942/07 CULT 47 DEVGEN 184

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du nouveau document 14485/07, en vue d'un échange de vues au Conseil et de l'adoption de la résolution.

- 9. Recommendation for a Council Decision on the European Capital of Culture event for the year 2011**
- **Adoption of Council Decision**
13943/07 CULT 48
14116/07 CULT 50

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base des documents 13943/07 et 14116/07, en vue de l'adoption de la Décision.

- 10. Draft Resolution of the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on implementing the common objectives for voluntary activities of young people**
- **Adoption of Resolution**
13940/07 JEUN 45 SOC 375

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du nouveau document 14425/07, en vue de l'adoption de la résolution.

- 11. Draft conclusions of the Council and of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States, meeting within the Council, on a transversal approach to youth policy in view of enabling young people to fulfil their potential and participate actively in society**
- **Adoption of conclusions**
13941/07 JEUN 46 EDUC 168 SOC 376

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil sur la base du nouveau document 14426/07, en vue de l'adoption des conclusions.

- 12. Better consideration of youth issues in the implementation of the Lisbon strategy - Implementing the European Youth Pact**
- **Exchange of views**
[Public debate pursuant to article 8(3) of the CRP (proposed by the Presidency)]
13686/07 JEUN 44

Le Comité convient de soumettre ce point au Conseil en vue d'un échange de vues sur la base du document 13686/07.

- 37. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the export and import of dangerous chemicals (First reading)**
- **Consideration of draft European Parliament's amendments in preparation for an informal trilogue**
14061/07 ENV 528 WTO 216 MI 243 CODEC 1089

The Committee gave the Presidency a mandate for the first informal trilogue with the European Parliament.

- 38. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe (Second reading)**
- **Consideration of draft European Parliament's amendments in preparation for an informal trilogue**
14056/07 ENV 527 ENER 245 IND 90 TRANS 307 CODEC 1088

The Committee endorsed the Presidency's strategy for the first informal trilogue on Air Quality on 6 November 2007.

- 39. Proposal for a Directive .../.../EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of [...] on common rules and standards for ship inspection and survey organizations and for the relevant activities of maritime administrations (the "proposal" or "proposed Directive")**
- **Analysis of the form of act and certain other issues**
5912/06 MAR 11 ENV 50 CODEC 95

Le service juridique a expliqué le contenu de l'avis juridique 13616/07. Il y a eu discussion avec interventions de la Commission et des délégations.

- **Any other business**
- **Information point by the Commission on SWIFT**

The Commission informed on the procedure to designate the "eminent European" foreseen in the "undertakings" between UE-USA and presented the candidate chosen after receiving the proposals from several Member States. The Committee agreed on the proposed candidate.
