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SUMMARY RECORD

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE (Part 1) 19 and 21 October 2022

I. <u>Adoption of the agenda</u>

13429/1/22 REV 1 OJ CRP1 36

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. <u>Approval of the "I" items</u>

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

III. Discussion items

WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2022

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

- 2. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and <u>Energy</u>) on 25 October 2022: Preparation
 - Directive on common rules for the internal markets in renewable and natural gases and in hydrogen and Regulation on the internal markets for renewable and natural gases and for hydrogen (recast) *Policy debate*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. Revision of the Directive on the energy performance of 13279/22 buildings (recast) *General approach*

The Committee finished preparing this item for the Council meeting.

Employment and Social Policy

3.	Directive on binding pay transparency measures Preparation for the trilogue	13582/22		
	The Presidency took note of delegations' comments ahead of the forthcom	ning trilogue.		
<u>Env</u>	<u>ironment</u>			
4.	Meeting of the Council (Environment) on 24 October 2022: Preparation			
	Conclusions on the preparations for the 27th Conference of the Parties (COP 27) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) (Sharm El-Sheik, Egypt, 6-18 November 2022) <i>Approval</i>	13154/1/22 REV 1		
	The Committee continued preparing this item for the Council meeting.			
Inte	Internal Market and Industry			
5.	Directive on consumer credits Preparation for the trilogue	13327/22		
	The Presidency took note of delegations' comments ahead of the forthcom	ning trilogue.		
6.	Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 1025/2012 as regards the decisions of European standardisation organisations concerning European standards and European standardisation deliverables <i>Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i>	13395/22		
	The Committee endorsed the text of the final compromise and mandated t	he Presidency to		

The Committee endorsed the text of the final compromise and mandated the Presidency to inform the European Parliament that, should the European Parliament adopt its position at first reading in accordance with this compromise (subject to revision by the legal linguists), the Council would approve the European Parliament's position and the act shall be adopted.

<u>Fisheries</u>

 Regulation amending various Regulations as regards fisheries control *Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*

The Committee took note of the outcome of the trilogue held on 13 October 2022.

FRIDAY 21 OCTOBER 2022

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

2.	 (continuation) Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and <u>Energy</u>) on 25 October 2022: Preparation 			
	3. Council Regulation on enhancing solidarity through better coordination of gas purchases, exchanges of gas across borders and reliable price benchmarks <i>Presentation by the Commission Exchange of views</i>	13781/22		
	The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.			
Env	<u>Environment</u>			
8.	Revision of Regulation (EU) 2019/631 setting CO2 emission performance standards for new passenger cars and for new light commercial vehicles <i>Preparation for the trilogue</i>	13377/22		
	The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.			
9.	Revision of Directive 2003/87/EC as regards aviation's contribution (ETS Aviation) <i>Preparation for the trilogue</i>	13477/22		
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IV. <u>Any other business</u>

a) New energy package Information from the Commission

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission.

b) Energy support of Ukraine Information from the Polish delegation

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Polish delegation.

c) COP 27 conclusions Information from the Presidency

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

"I" items approved

WEDNESDAY 19 OCTOBER 2022

Institutional Affairs

11.	Minutes of Council meetings Approval	
	Extraordinary TTE (Energy) Council 9.9.2022	12288/22 + ADD 1
	Appointments	
12.	One alternate member (AT) of the Management Board of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions <i>Adoption</i>	13505/22 SOC
13.	One alternate member (AT) of the Management Board of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work <i>Adoption</i>	13533/22 SOC
14.	Renewal of the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers 2022-2024 <i>Adoption</i>	12877/22 12876/22 SOC
	Other	
15.	Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (FAO) on 3 November 2022 <i>Approval</i>	13276/22 AGRI
16.	Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on the Staff Regulations (WPSR) on 24 October 2022 <i>Approval</i>	13534/22 STAT
17.	Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Aviation on 24 October 2022 <i>Approval</i>	13330/22 AVIATION

EU positions for international negotiations

18.	Council Decision on the EU position within the EEA Joint Committee, concerning the amendment to Annex XI (Electronic communication, audiovisual services and information society) to the EEA Agreement (Audiovisual Media Services Directive) <i>Adoption</i>	12531/22 12530/22 + ADD 1 EFTA
19.	Council Decision on the EU position within the International Maritime Organization (IMO) during the 106th session of the Maritime Safety Committee and the 79th session of the Marine Environment Protection Committee on the adoption of amendments to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) and to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships	13152/22 + ADD 1 12627/22 MAR

Statement by the Commission

(MARPOL) Annex VI

Adoption

"The proposed amendments to Chapter II-2 to the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS), to the International Code on the Enhanced Programme of Inspections during Surveys of Bulk Carriers and Oil Tankers, 2011 (2011 ESP Code) and to Annex VI and to appendix IX of Annex VI to the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL) to be adopted by the IMO will affect existing Union rules or alter their scope. As such, these amendments fall entirely within the exclusive external competence of the Union.

Further and in any event, in accordance with established case-law, in particular case C-600/14, the EU external competence is not limited to its exclusive competence. The Union position established in respect of those proposed amendments cannot be limited in scope and must be understood as covering them in their entirety.

The Commission reserves all its rights."

<u>Health</u>

20. Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing a European Centre for disease prevention and control (ECDC) *Adoption of the legislative act* 13322/22 + ADD 1 PE-CONS 82/21 SAN

Statement by Hungary

"Hungary recognizes and promotes equality between men and women in accordance with the Fundamental Law of Hungary, and the primary law, principles and values of the European Union, as well as commitments and principles stemming from the international law. Furthermore, equality between women and men is enshrined in the Treaties of the European Union as a fundamental value. In line with these and its national legislation, Hungary interprets the concept of 'gender' as reference to 'sex' in the regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 851/2004 establishing a European Centre for disease prevention and control."

21.	Regulation on serious cross-border threats to health and	13323/22 + ADD 1
	repealing Decision No 1082/2013/EU	PE-CONS 40/22
	Adoption of the legislative act	SAN

Statement by Bulgaria

"The Republic of Bulgaria supports the overall goal of the Health Union Package to improve the reaction of the European Union and its Member States to cross-border health threats.

For Bulgaria, protection of human health is of paramount importance, both in peace times and in times of crisis and emergencies. Hence, we reiterate our understanding, based on (Art. 168 TFEU in particular paragraphs 5 and 7) that nothing in the Regulation on cross-border threats to health as part of the Health Union Package shall be interpreted as a limitation of Member States' sovereign actions to protect their population, including by procuring critical countermeasures in a timely manner and at affordable price, via all possible channels.

The provision of health services and medical care and the allocation of the resources assigned to them in times of crisis remains responsibility of Member states: an inherent part not only of national health policies but also a matter of national security.

Bulgaria also confirms its adherence to the precise text of the WHA Second Special Session Decision SSA2(5), which at this stage leaves open the matter about the legal nature of a future international instrument on pandemic prevention, preparedness and response. We note with concern the introduction of references in the EU internal legal order to ongoing international negotiations and attempts to prejudge their outcomes.

Finally, in terms of the envisaged reporting obligations and assessment of national crisis plans we commit to implement the Package, while bearing in mind the principles of subsidiarity, proportionality and conferral of powers, enshrined in the relevant provisions of the EU primary law. The national administrations and budget resources of Member States differ significantly - additional excessive burden can exhaust already limited resources and be counterproductive in crisis times."

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22.	Council Regulation on the emergency framework regarding medical countermeasures <i>Adoption</i>	13476/22 + ADD 1 6569/22 SAN	
	The statement by Bulgaria is set out in document 13476/22 ADD 1.		
Env	<u>ironment</u>		
23.	Regulation amending Annexes IV and V to Regulation (EU) 2019/1021 on persistent organic pollutants (POPs) <i>Adoption of the legislative act</i>	13367/22 PE-CONS 39/22 ENV	
24.	Commission's intention to open discussions on joining, on behalf of the EU, the High Ambition Coalition to End Plastic Pollution <i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i>	13302/22 ENV	
Fisheries			
25.	Regulation laying down management, conservation and control	13386/22 + ADD 1	

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	measures applicable in the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission	PE-CONS 38/22
	(IOTC) Area of Competence	PECHE
	Adoption of the legislative act	

Statement by the Commission

"The European Parliament and the Council underlined on several occasions the need to further improve the process of implementation of conservation measures adopted by Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMOs), notably in a timely manner. The Commission regrets that its attempt to streamline the implementation process has not been fully retained by the European Parliament and the Council. The Commission will continue to work together with the European Parliament and the Council on further improvements to the implementation process."

<u>Agriculture</u>

26.	OECD Agriculture Ministerial Declaration on "Transformative solutions for sustainable agriculture and food systems" <i>Authorisation to sign an NBI</i>	13461/22 AGRI
Inte	rnal Market and Industry	
27.	Directive amending Directive 2014/53/EU relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment (common charger) Adoption of the legislative act	13485/22 PE-CONS 44/22 MI
28.	Memorandum of Understanding to establish a partnership on sustainable raw materials, batteries and renewable hydrogen value chains with Kazakhstan <i>Authorisation to sign an NBI</i> <i>Decision to use the written procedure</i>	13463/1/22 REV 1 COMPET
Tra	<u>nsport</u>	
29.	Council Decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, of the Accession Protocol of the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Croatia and Romania to the Cooperation Agreement on a Civil Global Satellite Navigation System (GNSS) with the Republic of Korea <i>Request for the consent of the European Parliament</i>	13237/22 + COR 1 6756/19 6739/19 + COR 1 TRANS
30.	Joint statement of the EU, the Contracting Parties of the Transport Community Treaty, Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia on the closer association of the latter three in the work of the Transport Community <i>Authorisation to negotiate an NBI</i>	13486/22 TRANS
Dele	egated or Implementing Acts	
	Internal Market and Industry	
31.	Commission Delegated Regulation (EU)/ of 30.8.2022 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/655 as regards the adaptation of the provisions on monitoring of gaseous pollutant emissions from in-service internal combustion engines installed in non-road mobile machinery to include engines with power of less than 56 kW and more than 560 kW	13445/22 12077/22 + ADD 1 ENT

Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections

Economic and Financial Affairs

32.	Dec: the S	ncil Implementing Decisions amending Implementing isions granting temporary support to Member States under SURE Regulation <i>ption</i>	13197/22 ECOFIN
	a)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Republic of Croatia	12701/22
	b)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Republic of Lithuania	12702/22
	c)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Portuguese Republic	12967/22
	d)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Hellenic Republic	12968/22
	e)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Republic of Cyprus	12974/22
	f)	Council Implementing Decision amending Implementing Decision granting temporary support to the Czech Republic	13032/22
	Ado	ption	
33.	Env	ulation establishing the European Union Single Window ironment for Customs <i>ption of the legislative act</i>	13325/22 + ADD 1 PE-CONS 33/22 UD

Statement by the Commission

"The Commission regrets that the original dates foreseen in the proposal for the Governmentto-Government exchanges were not retained by the co-legislators, and that this will reduce the capacity of the Union to deliver on its commitments under the Green Deal for the management of ozone depleting substances and control and reduction of fluorinated greenhouse gases to prevent climate-relevant emissions. However, given the significant impact on customs of major current and past events the Commission understands that Member States are facing great pressure. At the same time, the Commission acknowledges that some Member States are already interconnected to the EU Customs Single Window - Certificate Exchange System (EU CSW-CERTEX), and some have asked for the possibility to interconnect before 2025. Therefore, notwithstanding the deadlines listed in the Annex, the Commission strongly encourages all Member States to take all the necessary steps to interconnect as soon as possible."

General Affairs

34.	Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the EU on offshore renewable energy cooperation with the United Kingdom <i>Authorisation to sign an NBI</i>	13465/22 UK
<u>Just</u>	ice and Home Affairs	
35.	Council Decision identifying the violation of restrictive measures as an EU crime under Art. 83(1) TFEU <i>Adoption</i>	12963/22 10287/1/22 REV 1 JAI
	The Committee agreed to the withdrawal of the adoption of this item from for the Meeting of the Council (Environment) on 24 October 2022.	n the list of A items
36.	Counter Ransomware Initiative Authorisation to negotiate an NBI	13622/22 CYBER
<u>For</u>	eign Affairs	
37.	Council Decision on EDF contributions: 3rd instalment 2022 <i>Adoption</i>	13490/22 13274/22 ACP
38.	Restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons – coordination with third countries <i>Approval</i>	13644/22 CONOP
39.	Council Implementing Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen - UN transposition <i>Adoption</i>	13654/22 13416/22 + ADD 1 13419/22 + ADD 1 CORLX
40.	Restrictive measures against serious human rights violations and abuses - Pre-notifications <i>Approval</i>	13657/22 CORLX
41.	Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption	13719/22 13716/22 13718/22 CORLX

42.	Restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine - pre-notifications <i>Approval</i> <i>Decision to use the written procedure</i>	13782/22 CORLX
43.	Ukraine: Territorial Integrity Regime - coordination with third countries <i>Approval</i>	13755/22 COEST
<u>FRI</u>	DAY 21 OCTOBER 2022	
Ene	<u>rgv</u>	
44.	Joint Declaration on reducing methane emissions from fossil fuels Authorisation to negotiate an NBI	13710/22 ENER