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SUMMARY RECORD

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

14, 16 and 18 November 2018

I. Adoption of the agenda

14138/18 OJ CRP1 39 + COR 1

14174/1/18 REV 1 OJ CRP2 39 COMIX 622 + CM 5367/18

The Committee adopted the agenda.

II. Approval of the "I" items

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

III. Discussion items

COREPER (PART 1)

WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2018

Internal Market and Industry

2. Directive on the notification procedure
Preparation for the trilogue

14010/18

The Committee agreed to revert to this item as it could not agree on a mandate. The planned trilogue will be postponed. The Commission declared that if Member States were to consider agreeing to delete the powers conferred on the Commission in Article 15.7 of the Services Directive, the Commission would reserve its right to withdraw the legislative proposal for a Notifications Directive because such a deletion would contradict the objective of this legislative proposal."

Competitiveness

3. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space) on 29 and 30 November 2018: Preparation

1. Regulation on Single Market Programme 13836/18
Partial general approach

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

2. Regulation on general safety of vehicles 13920/18
General approach

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

3. Conclusions on a Future EU Industrial Policy Strategy 13837/18
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Employment and Social Policy

4. Directive on work-life balance 13992/18
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

5. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 3 and 4 December 2018: Preparation

1. Agenda

The Committee agreed on the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting.

2. Mobility Package I 13922/18
- a) Regulation on access to the profession and access to the haulage market 13203/2/18 REV 2
13204/2/18 REV 2
 - b) Regulations on rest time periods and on tachographs 13205/2/18 REV 2
 - c) Directive on enforcing social rules and on lex specialis for posting of drivers 13206/2/18 REV 2
- General approach*

The Committee agreed to revert to this item.

3. Mobility Package II 13871/18
Directive amending Directive 92/106 on combined
transport
General approach

The Committee agreed to revert to this item.

Transport

6. Directive on electronic road tolling and exchange of information 13982/18
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Education, Youth, Culture and Sport

7. Meeting of the Council (Education, Youth, Culture and Sport) on 26 and 27 November 2018:
Preparation
1. Regulation on the European Solidarity Corps (ESC) 2021 13937/18
to 2027
Partial general approach

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Statement by France, Greece, Cyprus and Belgium

"France, Greece, Cyprus and Belgium are expressing their concerns with regard to the use of delegated acts in the case of the evaluation indicators for the Erasmus+ program (foreseen in articles 20 and 30) and for the European Solidarity Corps (foreseen in articles 19 and 29).

Evaluation indicators define the parameters that are estimated crucial for the implementation of the programs, offering the necessary policy guidelines to those who are vested with the responsibility to implement them. Consequently, they have a political character and delegated acts are not the appropriate procedure to elaborate and select them. The procedure of delegated acts does not allow an in-depth debate and a co-elaboration of such indicators to take place.

Therefore France, Greece, Cyprus and Belgium regret the choice made in the above articles, which shall not constitute a precedent for the future."

2. Resolution on the European Union Youth Strategy 13940/18
2019-2027
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

3. Conclusions on youth work in the context of migration and refugee matters 13941/18
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

4. European Union Youth Strategy 2019-2027: From vision to implementation 13942/18
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

5. Regulation on Erasmus 13508/18
Partial general approach

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

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6. Recommendation on promoting automatic mutual recognition of higher education and upper secondary education diplomas 12785/18
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

7. European Education Area 2025: From vision to implementation 13583/18
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

8. Regulation on Creative Europe 2021-2027 13925/18
Progress report

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

9. Conclusions on the Work Plan for Culture 2019-2022 13886/18
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

10. Conclusions on the strengthening of European content in 13923/18
the digital economy
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

11. Tackling the spread of disinformation online: Challenges 13362/18
for the media ecosystem
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

12. Conclusions on the economic dimension of sport and its 13764/18
socio-economic benefits
Adoption

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

13. Major sporting events as drivers of innovation 13952/18
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Fisheries

8. Regulation on a multi-annual plan for fish stocks in the Western 8
Waters
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 12 November 2018.

Agriculture and Fisheries

9. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 19 November 2018: Preparation

1. Council Regulation fixing for 2019 and 2020 the fishing opportunities for Union fishing vessels for certain deep-sea fish stocks 13601/18
Political agreement

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

2. Current challenges in the field of plant protection 13896/18
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

FRIDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2018

Energy

10. Directive on electricity (recast)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 12 November 2018.

11. Regulation on electricity (recast)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 13 November 2018.

12. Regulation on ACER (recast) 9754/6/18 REV 6
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

13. Regulation on risk preparedness in the electricity sector 6759/6/18 REV 6
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Competitiveness

3. Continuation: Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 29 and 30 November 2018: Preparation

4. Regulation on Platforms-to-Business Relations 13875/18
General approach

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Environment

14. Regulation on CO2 standards for cars and vans (recast)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 13 November 2018.

15. Regulation on the alignment of the environmental reporting obligations
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue of 15 November 2018.

Employment, Social Policy and Health

16. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 6 and 7 December 2018: Agenda

The Committee agreed on the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting.

Transport

17. Regulation on safeguarding competition in air transport
Preparation for the trilogue 14158/1/18 REV 1
+ ADD 1 REV 1

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

18. Directive on port reception facilities
Preparation for the trilogue 13928/18

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2018

Foreign Affairs

43. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Defence) on
19-20 November 2018: Preparation

a) Current affairs

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

b) Central Asia
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

c) Bosnia and Herzegovina
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

d) Yemen
Exchange of views

The Committee agreed to remove this item from the Council agenda.

e) Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

f) Security and Defence
Exchange of views
Conclusions
Adoption

13976/18

The Committee agreed to return to this item at the continuation of its session.

- g) EU - NATO
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

- h) CSDP Missions & Operations
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Justice and Home Affairs

33. Regulation on the creation of a European network of immigration liaison officers (recast) 13828/18 + ADD 1
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament.

34. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 6-7 December 2018: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

36. Regulation on strengthening the security of ID cards and of residence documents 13462/1/18 REV 1
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament 13462/18 ADD 1
REV 2

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament.

Statement by the Netherlands

"The Netherlands acknowledges the advantages of using fingerprints in the fight against identity fraud and the improvement of internal security. However, as pointed out continuously, due to the absence of internal border controls and geographically limited usability of the identity card for travel outside the Schengen area the Netherlands retains its concerns regarding the proportionality of this measure.

At the same time, the Netherlands acknowledges the importance of other aspects of this regulation. This is a big step forward in terms of document security and therefor supports the proposed negotiation mandate."

35. Regulation establishing the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund (AMIF) - recommitment of remaining amounts
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament 13714/18

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament.

Statement by Italy

"Italy refers to the draft proposal for amending the AMIF Regulation as regards the re-commitment of the remaining amounts committed to support the implementation of Council Decisions 2015/1523 and 2015/1601.

Italy would like to recall that the two above mentioned Decisions provided for a legal obligation for the Member States to relocate from Italy and Greece a total of 160.000 persons in need of protection, in accordance with their respective quotas. In order to support the implementation of such Decisions, resources from the AMIF were allocated to Member States of relocation (namely 6.000 euro for each person relocated) and to the beneficiary Member States (500 euro for each person to be transferred to the Member States of relocation). Nevertheless a number of Member States did not abide or only partially abided by such obligations to relocate persons in need of protection to their territories.

The current legislative proposal from the Commission allows Member States to use the amounts of money already allocated to them for the same action or transfer such amounts to other actions admitted under the AMIF Regulation.

Italy strongly regrets that such a proposal penalizes both the Member States which met their obligations and the beneficiary Member States, Italy and Greece, which could not fully benefit of the temporary support measures provided for by the two Decisions of 2015.

Moreover the proposal also broadens the scope of the initial provisions, by encompassing actions which cannot be considered as an expression of solidarity, in contrast with the objective pursued in 2015.

For the abovementioned reasons, Italy is not in a position to support the negotiating mandate to the Presidency."

Economic and Financial Affairs

39. Preparation Conciliation Committee and Ecofin/Budget Council
on 16 November 2018

The Presidency outlined the situation with the European Parliament and the calendar of next steps.

40. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 4
December 2018: Agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

General Affairs

41. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 12 November 2018:
Follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Foreign Affairs

37. 7th EU-South Africa Summit
State of play of preparations
Approval

The Committee discussed the state of play of preparations and provided a mandate for the negotiator in view of finalising the Joint Statement.

38. Communication on a new Africa - Europe Alliance for Sustainable Investment and Jobs 12167/18
Exchange of views

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

42. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade) on 9 November 2018: Follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

44. Defence Fund Regulation 13951/1/18 REV1
Partial general approach

The Committee agreed to forward the text as set out in 14094/1/18 REV 1 to Council to agree on a partial general approach.

General Affairs

45. Joint action plan of the Commission and the EEAS to fight disinformation
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views on the forthcoming joint action plan of the Commission and the EEAS to fight disinformation.

SUNDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2018

Foreign Affairs

43. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Defence) on
19-20 November 2018: Preparation

- f) Security and Defence
Exchange of views
Conclusions
Adoption

13976/18

The Committee prepared this item for the Council and agreed to forward the draft conclusions to the Council for adoption.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

Trilogues:

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

"I" items approved**COREPER (PART 1)****Institutional Affairs****Written questions**

19. Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
Adoption by silence procedure
Josep-Maria Terricabras (Verts/ALE), Jordi Solé (Verts/ALE) and Ramon Tremosa i Balcells (ALDE)
'MEPs' right of access to prisons and detention centres without hindrance'
13852/18
PE-QE
12994/18
The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Appointments

20. Four members (IT) and two alternate members (IT) in the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers
Adoption
13645/1/18 REV 1
13644/18
SOC
21. One member (EL) in the Management Board of the European Institute for Gender Equality
Adoption
13934/18
SOC

Judicial Affair

22. Case T-425/18 (Altice Europe NV v European Commission)
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
14044/18
JUR
23. Case T-396/18 (International Tax Stamp Association (ITSA) v European Commission)
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 1)
14131/18
JUR

Internal Market and Industry

24. Conclusions on Better Regulation (CoA SR No 16/2018) 14137/18
Adoption BETREG

EU positions for international negotiations

25. Council Decision on the EU position on Agreement concerning 13916/18
work of vehicles crews (AETR) 13711/18 + ADD 1
Adoption TRANS

Transport

26. Regulation amending Regulation 391/2009 to prepare for 13683/18 + COR 1
"Brexit" MAR
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

Statement by the Commission

"The Commission considers that the current Council text provides only for an exchange of good practices between the Commission and Member States in the context of their participation in the Commission's assessment under Article 8(1) of Regulation (EC) 391/2009. Therefore, this provision will not allow for the establishment of a European oversight program so that the Member States willing to participate could discharge their obligations under the IMO (III Code) and the reflected obligations under Article 9 of Directive 2009/15/EC. If the intention is to establish such a program, to what the Commission would not be opposed, the explicit legal provision should be inserted under which a European oversight and monitoring program is established with specific reference in the text to the IMO Resolution A.1070(28) on IMO Instruments Implementation Code and Article 9 of Directive 2009/15/EC."

Internal Market and Industry

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| 27. | Regulation to prolong transitional use of means other than the electronic data-processing techniques provided for in the Union Customs Code (Article 278)
<i>Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament</i> | 13488/18 + ADD 1
13501/18
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Statement by the Commission

"The Commission recalls the joint Council and Commission statement made to the minutes when adopting the VAT e-commerce package on 5 December 2017. Delays of national IT systems should not cause delays to the application of the VAT e-commerce rules.

Member States which are not able to implement the UCC National Import Systems Upgrade by the end of 2020 need to adapt their existing systems so as to support the implementation of the above mentioned VAT e-commerce package by 1 January 2021.

The Commission will work closely with the Council and the European Parliament in the upcoming negotiations to ensure that the final result allows for effective implementation of these policy objectives."

Statement by Portugal

"Portugal appreciates the efforts made by the Austrian Presidency in the preparation of a compromise text (13501/18) for amending Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 laying down the Union Customs Code (UCC), in view of the forthcoming discussions with the European Parliament. In particular, Portugal welcomes the extension of the deadline for the development and/or updating of national electronic customs systems beyond 31 December 2020, as envisaged currently in Article 278 of the Union Customs Code (UCC).

Portugal is strongly committed to the creation of a digital environment for customs and trade and has been pursuing a strategy in that respect. Furthermore, Portugal always strives to fully comply with its obligations under Union law and to have a constructive and committed position in the discussions leading to the adoption of such legislation.

Nevertheless, given the complexity and scope of the work to be undertaken and the risks involved, Portugal cannot support the deadline of 31 December 2022 for the development and/or updating of the electronic systems under consideration, as foreseen under Article 278(2) of the Draft Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 952/2013.

For the reasons set out above, Portugal abstains in relation to the Draft Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 952/2013."

Statement by the Netherlands

"For the Netherlands, the use of electronic data-processing techniques for the exchange of information between customs authorities and between economic operators and customs authorities is standard. During a transitional period until 31 December 2020, member states may use other systems than the systems provided for in the Union Customs Code. The draft regulation amending Article 278 of the UCC aims to prolong the transitional use of means other than the electronic data-processing techniques provided for in the Union Customs Code but makes a distinction in time limits between the Trans European Systems (TES) and the National Systems. In the proposal TES may be used on a transitional base until 31 December 2025 whereas National Systems may be used until 31 December 2022 at the latest. For the Netherlands the distinction between TES and National Systems, with different deadlines applied, is hardly feasible and will lead to unnecessary extra cost for customs authorities and economic operators. The National systems are strongly linked to the TES and therefore the transitional period for the TES and the National Systems in the proposal should therefore be the same."

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| 28. | Regulation amending Union Customs Code for Campione d'Italia and Lake Lugano
<i>Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament</i> | 13502/18
13503/18
UD |
| 29. | Regulation amending Regulation (EU) No 168/2013 on the type-approval of two or three-wheel vehicles and quadricycles
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> | 13917/18
ENT |

Delegated or Implementing Acts

Health

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| 30. | Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1334/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the substance N-(2-methylcyclohexyl)-2,3,4,5,6-pentafluorobenzamide
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 13616/18
13134/18 + ADD 1
DENLEG |
| 31. | Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX amending and correcting Regulation (EU) No 10/2011 on plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 13624/18
13238/18 + ADD 1
DENLEG |

Agriculture

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| 32. | Commission Regulation (EU) .../... amending Annexes II and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for iprodione in or on certain products
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 13887/18
13330/18
+ ADD 1 - ADD 2
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COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial Affairs

46. Cases: C-603/18 P (Appeal by Dr. K. Chrysostomides & Co. LLc and Others against judgment T-680/13) and C-604/18 P (Appeal by Eleni Pavlikka Bourdouvali and Others against judgment T-786/14)
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) 14090/18
JUR
47. Case C-494/18 Bondora AS and others (Juzgado de Primera Instancia nº 20 de Barcelona - Spain)
Reference for a preliminary ruling - validity
Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) 14102/18
JUR

Institutional Affairs

Letters

48. Partial renewal of the Members of the Court of Auditors
Approval of a letter 13378/18
CMPT

Transparency

49. Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 26/c/01/18
Adoption 12846/18
INF
API

Economic and Financial Affairs

50. New Maltese Commemorative Coin 13701/18
UEM
51. New Slovenian 2 Euro Commemorative Coin 13322/18
UEM
52. Council position on draft amending budget No 6/2018
Information to national Parliaments 13958/18
FIN
53. Council position on draft amending budget No 6/2018
Adoption 13959/18
FIN
54. Transfer No DEC 1/2018 (Section VI - European Economic and Social Committee)
Approval 13781/18
FIN

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| 55. | Transfer No DEC 29/2018 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 13787/18
FIN |
| 56. | Transfer No DEC 31/2018 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 13788/18
FIN |
| 57. | ECA SR No 24/2018 on demonstrating carbon capture and storage and innovative renewables at commercial scale in the EU
<i>Designation of a Working Party</i> | 13803/18
FIN |

General Affairs

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| 58. | Council Implementing Decision on the EU Integrated Political Crisis Response (IPCR) arrangements
<i>Adoption</i> | 14060/18
13422/18
IPCR |
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Statement by the Commission and the High Representative

"The Commission and the High Representative consider that the Integrated Political Crisis Response arrangements that were agreed in 2013 function well, are flexible and allow coverage of a wide range of crises. In the absence of a review indicating deficiencies, there are no reasons justifying the adoption of the draft Council Implementing Decision on the EU Integrated Political Crisis Response arrangements.

The Commission and the High Representative express concern that the draft Council Implementing Decision does not have an appropriate legal basis, risks narrowing the scope of the Integrated Political Crisis Response arrangements, and transforms voluntary commitments into legal obligations for the Commission and the High Representative.

The Commission and the High Representative therefore declare that they consider this Decision not binding on the institution and the High Representative and reserve their rights. Furthermore, the Commission suggests postponing the consideration of any changes to be made to the arrangements, if necessary, on the basis of lessons learnt from their first activation during the migration/refugee crisis.

In the meantime, the Commission services and the EEAS will continue to respect commitments according to the arrangements agreed in 2013, including those related to the delivery of Integrated Situational Awareness and Analysis reports."

Statement by the Council Legal Service

"In respect of the Statement by the Commission and the High Representative on this item, the Council Legal Service recalls that, as explained in its opinion of 5 October 2018 (doc. 12757/18), it is legally possible and appropriate for the Council to adopt an implementing Decision based on Article 9(3) of the Solidarity Clause Decision in order to transform the IPCR as approved as Council conclusions in the form of a legally binding act of Union law. Thus the envisaged act is based on the appropriate legal basis.

Furthermore, the Council Implementing Decision on the EU Integrated Political Crisis Response (IPCR) arrangements, once adopted, will be a legal act provided for by the Treaties. It is binding in its entirety in the Union legal order, including on Union institutions and Member States, as set out in Article 288 TFEU."

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| 59. | Non-binding delineation criteria between delegated and implementing acts
<i>Endorsement</i> | ST13326/18
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Justice and Home Affairs

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| 60. | Schengen Information System (SIS):
SIS Return Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 13761/18 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 34/18
SIRIS |
| 61. | Schengen Information System (SIS):
SIS Border Checks Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 13762/18 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 35/18
SIRIS |
| 62. | Schengen Information System (SIS):
SIS Police Cooperation Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | 13763/18
PE-CONS 36/18
SIRIS |
| 63. | Fight against antisemitism
<i>Approval</i> | 14048/18
CATS |
| 64. | Interoperability Regulation (borders and visa)
<i>Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament</i> | 13732/18 |

Foreign Affairs

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| 65. | Conclusions on Ethiopia
<i>Adoption</i> | 13882/18
COAFR |
| 66. | Conclusions on Sudan
<i>Adoption</i> | 13881/18
COAFR |
| 67. | Conclusions on Afghanistan
<i>Adoption</i> | 13821/18
COASI |
| 68. | Conclusions on Pakistan
<i>Adoption</i> | 13822/18
COASI |
| 69. | Conclusions on the 2017 report on implementation of EU Gender Action Plan II
<i>Adoption</i> | 14027/18
DEVGEN |
| 70. | Conclusions on the revised EU International Cooperation and Development Results Framework
<i>Adoption</i> | 14092/18
DEVGEN |

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| 71. Conclusions on an EU Strategy against illicit firearms, SALW and ammunition
<i>Adoption</i> | 13498/18
CONOP |
| 72. Conclusions on Civilian CSDP Compact
<i>Adoption</i> | 14047/18
CIVCOM
CSDP/PSDC |
| 73. Annexes - Military Requirements for Military Mobility within and beyond the EU
<i>Approval</i> | 13674/18
CSDP/PSDC
TRANS |

Statement by Austria

"As regards the Annexes to the Military Requirements for Military Mobility within and beyond the EU, as set out in document 13674/18 dated 9 November 2018, AT is committed to improving Military Mobility as set out in Council Conclusions of 25 June 2018 and has taken a number of steps in Austria in recent years to facilitate military mobility.

However, as regards the military requirements for infrastructure, the competent authorities in Austria are concerned about a number of fundamental challenges in the Annexes, in particular the technical requirements set out in Tables 1.6 and 1.8 of Annex II, which constitute a compilation of maximum demands beyond the existing requirements for Trans-European Networks required only for a fraction of existing equipment while not taking into account financial and engineering considerations as well as geographic realities, especially those of predominantly mountainous countries like Austria.

In line with the "I/A" Item Note, in particular Para. 4, AT is, therefore, of the opinion that the technical requirements set out in Tables 1.6 and 1.8 of Annex II provide the indicative and non-prescriptive military input to the next steps foreseen in the Action Plan on Military Mobility of March 2018. As a consequence, this input does not entail any obligation for Member States, be it with a view to upgrading existing transport infrastructure and/or the construction of new transport infrastructure. Concerning the TEN-T corridors which Austria listed as priorities for military mobility, Austria aims at fulfilling the requirements of the TEN-T Network set out in regulation (EU) 1315/2013 (TEN-T Guidelines) until 2030. Given the merely indicative character of this input, the technical requirements will be subject to a comprehensive examination, including the feasibility, by the Commission and the competent Member States authorities, taking into account the existing equipment and technical viability, financial and engineering considerations as well as geographic realities. Finally, all documents concerning military mobility have to fully respect and reflect the sovereignty and national-decision-making of each Member State, in particular as regards infrastructure including infrastructure development and construction, transport permissions and traffic regulations especially on environmental and safety issues."

74.	EDA Report to Council 2018	13895/18 13897/18 CSDP/PSDC
75.	EDA Guidelines 2019 <i>Adoption</i>	13877/18 CSDP/PSDC
76.	Cyber Defence Policy Framework update <i>Adoption</i>	13879/18 CSDP/PSDC
77.	Conclusions on Water Diplomacy <i>Adoption</i>	13972/1/18 REV 1 CFSP
78.	PSC Decision EUTM Mali/2/2018: appointment of the EU Mission Force Commander <i>Decision to publish in the Official Journal</i>	13954/18 13506/18 PSC DEC
79.	Union support for the universalization and the effective implementation of the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism - Decision <i>Adoption</i>	13858/18 13494/18 CORLX
80.	Combating the Illicit Trade in and Proliferation of Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Member States of the League of Arab States - Decision <i>Adoption</i>	13354/18 13273/18 CORLX
81.	Libya restrictive measures - letters of reply regarding designated person and entity <i>Adoption</i>	14087/18 CORLX
82.	(poss.) Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) - updating the list of projects - Decision <i>Adoption</i>	13962/18 13939/18 CORLX
83.	Egypt restrictive measures - letters of reply <i>Adoption</i>	14121/18 CORLX

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| 84. | Ukraine misappropriation restrictive measures - letters of reply
<i>Adoption</i> | 14116/18
CORLX |
| 85. | (poss.) Council Decision on EU position in the EU-Ukraine
Association Committee in Trade configuration
<i>Adoption</i> | 14177/18
13499/18
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