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SUMMARY RECORD

Subject: 2649th meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
held in Brussels on 22 and 24 November 2017

I. Adoption of the agenda

14555/17 OJ CRP1 39 + ADD 1 + COR 1
14639/1/17 REV 1 OJ CRP2 39 COMIX 773

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)

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Environment

2. Regulation on effort sharing
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 21 November 2017.

3. Directive on the ETS revision 14395/17
Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

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.
4. Directives on Waste package 14389/17
Preparation for the trilogue

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

Competitiveness

5. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 30 November and 1 December 2017: Preparation
 1. Competitiveness check-up: Objectives of the Industrial Policy
Presentation by the Commission
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.
 2. EU industrial strategy for the future 14365/17
 - a) Presidency report 14367/17
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.
 - b) Council conclusions on "A renewed EU Industrial Policy Strategy" 14368/17
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

Internal Market

6. Regulation on type approval 14089/17
Preparation for the trilogue 14090/1/17 REV 1

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

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

7. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 4 and 5 December 2017: Preparation

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| 1. | Mobility package I | 14422/17 |
| a) | Revision of rules on market access | 9668/17 |
| i) | Regulations governing access to the profession and to the market | 9669/17 |
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| ii) | Directive on hired vehicles | 9670/17 |
| b) | Revision of Directive and Regulations on the social pillar | |
| i) | Posting of road transport workers and enforcement of social conditions | |
| ii) | Driving and rest time periods and tachographs | |

Progress report

The Committee took note of the progress report and agreed to forward it to Council.

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| 2. | Mobility package I | 14426/17 |
| | Directives on Eurovignette and EETS - road charging | 9672/17 |
| | <i>Policy debate</i> | + ADD 1 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

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| 3. | Council conclusions on the digitalisation of transport | 14307/17 |
| | <i>Adoption</i> | |

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

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| 4. | Regulation on BEREC | 14376/17 |
| | <i>General approach</i> | |

The Committee prepared the general approach and agreed to forward it to Council.

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| 5. | Regulation on free flow of data | 14378/17 |
| | <i>Policy debate</i> | |

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

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| 6. | Regulation on ePrivacy | 14374/17 |
| | <i>Progress report</i> | |

The Committee took note of the progress report and agreed to forward it to Council.

Telecommunications

8. Regulation on parcel delivery
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 20 November 2017.

Internal Market

9. Regulation on geo-blocking
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 20 November 2017.

Culture/Audiovisual Matters

10. Review of the Directive on audiovisual media services (AVMS) 14409/17
Preparation for the trilogue

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

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Internal Market

6. (continuation) Regulation on type approval
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 23 November 2017.

Competitiveness

5. (continuation) Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 30 November and 1 December 2017: Preparation

3. Regulation on Single Digital Gateway 14351/17
General approach

The Committee prepared the general approach and agreed to forward it to Council.

4. Council conclusions on the "Mid-term evaluation of the Copernicus programme" 14328/17
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

5. EU Space programmes: The way forward 14410/17
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

6. Council conclusions on "From the Interim Evaluation of 14350/17
Horizon 2020 towards the ninth Framework Programme"
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward a slightly amended text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

Statement by Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and Slovenia, supported by Latvia, Italy and Slovakia

"It is important for us to have a constructive discussion, especially at this stage of our work on the Council conclusions. From our perspective the text that has been drafted does not contain sufficient commitment and measures that could help ensure significant improvement of the situation of the widening countries. Existing data only shows that even though widening participation was addressed by specific measures and recognized as a cross-cutting issue, the slight increase of EU-13 countries participation is far from the ambition of having excellent European RDI. Continuation of the current policy will with high probability not bring about changes that we would all expect and will certainly not bring us closer to achieving those goals. There is an urgent need for a more profound analysis that would use existing good practices gathered in cross-cutting issues like gender or SMEs in order to help identify remedy measures for the next Framework Programme. Adequate actions coupled with national reforms and higher level of investments at national level should be the right mix for increasing participation. We are ready to engage in a constructive dialogue with our colleagues and the Commission on this issue. "

7. The mission-oriented approach in the ninth EU RDI 14320/17
Framework Programme
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

Environment

11. Decision on environmental reporting
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 22 November 2017.

12. Regulation on LULUCF
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 22 November 2017.

Energy

13. Regulation on governance of the Energy Union 7204/4/17 REV 4
Preparation for a general approach 15090/1/16 REV 1

The Committee examined in detail the text of the general approach and agreed to revert on this item before submission to Council.

14. Directive on renewable energy (recast) 8697/4/17 REV 4
Preparation for a general approach + ADD 1 REV 1
15120/16

The Committee examined in detail the text of the general approach and agreed to revert on this item before submission to Council.

Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs

15. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 7 and 8 December 2017: Preparation

1. Council conclusions on cross-border aspect in alcohol policy 14080/17
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

2. Council conclusions on digital health 14076/17
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

3. Pharmaceutical policy in the EU – current state and future perspectives 14357/17
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council.

4. Directive on the accessibility requirements for products and services 14363/17
General approach

The Committee agreed a slightly revised general approach and agreed to forward it to Council.

5. Revision of Regulations on coordination of social security systems (883/04 and 987/09) 14013/2/17 REV 2
Partial general approach

The Committee prepared the partial general approach and agreed to forward it to Council.

6. Directive on Maritime Labour Convention (implementing
a Social Partner Agreement) 14150/17
Political agreement

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

7. Council conclusions on the future of work: making it 14279/17
e-Easy
Adoption

The Committee agreed to forward the text of the conclusions to Council with a view to adoption.

COREPER (PART 2)

Justice and Home Affairs

24. Regulation establishing a European Travel Information and Authorisation System (ETIAS) 13907/17
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

25. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 7 - 8 December 2017: Preparation
Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided further information with regard to the Council, including as regards the addition of an item on the EU's accession to the ECHR and an information point on EU PNR, as requested by delegations previously.

Foreign Affairs

26. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 11 December 2017:
Agenda

The EEAS outlined the main points on the agenda, including the session dedicated to development.

27. Fifth African Union - European Union Summit 14479/17 + ADD 1
(Abidjan, 29-30 November 2017)
State of play of preparations

The Committee took stock of the state of play of preparations.

28. Athena review - Council Decision - questions submitted to Coreper 14434/17
Preparation for the adoption

The Committee discussed the outstanding issues of the Athena review and decided to revert to this at one of its future sessions.

General Affairs

29. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 15 November 2017:
Follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

30. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 20 November 2017:
Follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

31. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 12 December 2017:
Agenda

The Presidency outlined the main points on the agenda.

32. Relations with the EP
Debriefing

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Foreign Affairs

33. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade) on 10-13
December 2017: Agenda

The Presidency outlined the main points on the agenda.

Economic and Financial Affairs

34. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on
5 December 2017: Preparation
Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency provided further information with regard to the Council.

35. EIB ELM
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee agreed on a mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

36. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial
Affairs/Budget) on 17 November 2017: Follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting and the related meeting of the Conciliation Committee. A number of delegations invited the Commission to inform the Committee at one of its upcoming sessions on how the agreement on the 2018 budget, given the MFF mid-term review, will be reflected in the subsequent years of the current MFF.

IV. Any other business

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None.

COREPER (PART 2)

- Social Summit for fair jobs and growth
(Gothenburg, 17 November 2017)

The Committee received a debriefing on the outcomes of the Social Summit which took place in Gothenburg on 17 November 2017.

"I" items approved**COREPER (PART 1)****WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2017****Institutional Affairs**

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| 16. | Written questions
<i>Adoption by silence procedure</i> | 14416/17 |
| a) | E-004362/2017 - Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Union, of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence | 14220/17 |
| b) | E-006111/2017 - Non-fulfilment of Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 as regards authorisation of the plant protection product <i>Trichoderma asperellum</i> strain T34 | 13865/17 |

Delegated and Implementing Acts

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| 17. | Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX amending Annex VII to Regulation (EC) 882/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the EU reference laboratories in the field of contaminants in feed and food
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 14337/17
13869/17
+ ADD 1 |
| 18. | Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX amending Annexes II, III and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for ametoctradin, chlorpyrifos-methyl, cyproconazole, difenoconazole, fluazinam, flutriafol, prohexadione and sodium chloride in or on certain products
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 14364/17
13880/17
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+ ADD 2 |

Environment

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| 19. | Council conclusions on ECA Special Report No 12/2017 on Drinking Water Directive
<i>Adoption</i> | 14095/17 |
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Transport

59. High-level agreements concerning adapted indicative maps of neighbouring countries 14530/17
14531/17
Decision to use the written procedure for the approval of the signature on behalf of the EU

Statement by the Commission

"The European Commission underlines that neither the intended high level agreement(s) with neighbouring countries, regarding the adaptation of the indicative maps set out in Annex III of Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013 nor indeed the subsequent delegated act prejudice in any way possible decisions on co-funding by the Union of individual infrastructure projects in the countries concerned, in particular in respect of the requirements set out in article 8 of Regulation (EU) No 1315/2013."

Statement by Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy, Romania and Spain

"Cyprus, France, Greece, Italy, Romania and Spain underline that the high level agreements with neighbouring countries regarding the adaptation of indicative maps are without prejudice to the obligation set out in article 8 (6) of regulation 1315/2013 providing that, when supporting, including financially, projects of common interest, the EU concludes international agreements in accordance with relevant procedures set out in article 218 TFEU. These agreements should set out the conditions to be fulfilled pursuant to relevant provisions of article 8."

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Agriculture

20. Recommendation on opening negotiations to amend 14284/17
International Sugar Agreement 14282/17
Adoption

Internal Market

21. Common Transit 14514/17
Adoption 13644/17
22. Simplification of formalities in trade in goods 14515/17
Adoption 13646/17

Transport

23. Eurocontrol Provisional Council 14565/17
(Brussels, 30 November-1 December 2017)
European Union coordination of a common position
Approval
The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial Affairs

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| 37. | Case T-553/17
<i>Information note for the Permanent Representatives Committee
(Part 2)</i> | 14458/17 |
| 38. | Opinion procedure before the Court of Justice (1/17)
<i>Approval</i> | 14483/17 |
| 39. | Complaint 1955-2017-THH
<i>Approval of a letter</i> | 14525/17 |

Institutional Affairs

Appointments

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| 40. | Appointment of two members to the Committee of the Regions
(SE)
<i>Adoption</i> | 14181/17
14180/17 |
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Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 41. | Transfer No DEC 32/2017 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 14060/17 |
| 42. | Mobilisation EGF/2017/003 GR/Attica retail
and
Transfer No DEC 22/2017 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 14057 /17 |
| 43. | Mobilisation EGF/2017/005 FI/Retail
and
Transfer No DEC 27/2017 (Section III - Commission)
<i>Approval</i> | 14058 /17 |
| 44. | Draft amending budget No 6/2017 - Council's position
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | 14273/17 |
| 45. | Draft amending budget No 6/2017
Information to national Parliaments
<i>Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption</i> | 14274/17 |

General Affairs

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| 46. | Resolutions and decisions EP November | 14212/17 |
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Justice and Home Affairs

47. Council Decision on MAF for FRA 2018-2022 14373/17
Adoption 14423/16

Foreign Affairs

48. Council conclusions on the 2016 Report on the Gender Action Plan II 14446/17
Adoption
49. CARIFORUM-EU EPA - Opening of negotiations GIs 14329/17
Adoption 14072/17 + ADD 1
50. EUMM Georgia - extension - Decision 14545/17
Adoption 13537/17
51. Restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine - derogation - Decision and Regulation 14548/17
Adoption 14430/17
14432/17
52. Restrictive measures to combat terrorism (Common Position 2001/931/CFSP) - adoption of amended statements of reasons 14520/17 + ADD 1
Adoption

Delegated or Implementing Acts

53. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 27.10.2017 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2016/1675, as regards adding Ethiopia to the list of high-risk third countries in the table in point I of the Annex 14371/17
Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections 13833/17
54. Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) .../... of 20.10.2017 amending Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2195 on supplementing Regulation (EU) No 1304/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Social Fund, regarding the definition of standard scales of unit costs and lump sums for reimbursement of expenditure by the Commission to Member States, and correcting that Delegated Regulation 14396/17
Delegated act - Intention not to raise objections 13673/17 + ADD 1
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