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NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for: 2632nd meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(ENVIRONMENT)
on: Monday 20 December 2004 (10.00)

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Approval of the list of "A" items
16106/04 PTS A 67
3. (a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the application of the provisions of the **Aarhus Convention** on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters to EC institutions and bodies (LA) (*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 175(1) of the Treaty)
 - Political agreement
(Public deliberation)
14152/03 ENV 584 JUSTCIV 221 INF 197 ONU 58 CODEC 1502
16038/04 ENV 686 JUSTCIV 190 INF 191 ONU 116 CODEC 1337
+ ADD 1
16137/04 JUR 515 ENV 695 JUSTCIV 193 INF 192 ONU 117
CODEC 1352

- (b) Proposal for a Council Decision on the **conclusion, on behalf of the European Community, of the Convention** on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (*)
 - Political agreement
 - 14153/03 ENV 585 JUSTCIV 222 INF 198 ONU 59
 - 16037/04 ENV 685 JUSTCIV 189 INF 190 ONU 115
 - + COR 1 (en)

- (c) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on **access to justice in environmental matters (LA)**
 - Information from the Presidency
 - 14154/03 ENV 586 JUSTCIV 223 INF 199 ONU 60 CODEC 1503

- 4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on **batteries and accumulators** and spent batteries and accumulators (LA) (*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Articles 95(1) and 175(1) of the Treaty)
 - Political agreement
(Public deliberation)
 - 15494/03 ENV 655 ENT 221 CODEC 1704 (x)
 - 15995/04 ENV 679 ENT 158 CODEC 1331
 - + ADD 1
 - + ADD 1 COR 1 (en)

- 5. (a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (**REACH**), establishing a European Chemicals Agency and amending Directive 1999/45/EC and the Regulation on persistent organic pollutants (LA)

- (b) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 67/548/EEC in order to adapt it to the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the registration, evaluation, authorisation and restriction of chemicals (LA)
 - Policy debate
 - 15409/03 COMPET 75 ENV 651 CHIMIE 3 CODEC 1692 (x)
 - 15499/1/04 COMPET 208 ENV 658 CHIMIE 54 CODEC 1306 REV 1

6. Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the placing on the market, in accordance with Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council, of an oilseed rape product (*Brassica napus* L., **GT73** line) genetically modified for tolerance to the herbicide glyphosate (LA) (*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 18(1) of Directive 2001/18/EC)
- Adoption
12343/04 AGRI 224 DENLEG 46 MI 242 CONSOM 66 SAN 126 ENV 462 (x)
15930/04 ENV 677 AGRILEG 171
7. **Climate change:** medium and long-term strategies and targets
- Council conclusions
15561/04 ENV 667 ENER 262 FISC 255 ONU 111
8. (a) **Lisbon Strategy:** High-Level Group's Report on the Lisbon Mid-Term Review ("**Kok Report**")
- Council conclusions
- (b) **Sustainable Development Strategy**
- Council conclusions
15735/04 ENV 671 AGRI 330 ECO 200 ECOFIN 419 ENER 266
DEVGEN 251 MI 308 PECHE 406 RELEX 628 SAN 224
SOC 584 TRANS 387 RECH 260 ENT 157 COMPET 214
9. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Financial Instrument for the Environment (**LIFE +**) (LA)
- Exchange of views
13071/04 ENV 528 CADREFIN 60 FORETS 31 CODEC 1080
15554/04 ENV 666 CADREFIN 153 FORETS 38 CODEC 1316
10. Preparation of **UNEP Governing Council** (February 2005)
- Exchange of views
15736/04 ENV 672 DEVGEN 252 ONU 112
11. **Protection and conservation of the marine environment**
- Council conclusions
16030/04 ENV 684 MAR 221 PECHE 417

12. Other business

- (a) **Mercury strategy**
 - Commission briefing

- (b) Briefing by the Presidency on **Conferences organised by the Netherlands Presidency**
 - (i) **Legionella in Europe**
 - (ii) Exploring new approaches for the regulation of industrial installations (**ENAP**)
 - (iii) High-level meeting on **energy in motion**
 - (iv) 25 years of Directive 79/409/EEC on the **conservation of wild birds**
 - (v) Conference on **soil strategy**
 - (vi) Conference on the **Environment and Health Action Plan**
16048/04 ENV 687 SAN 226 ENER 269
+ ADD 1

- (c) Forthcoming **thematic strategies**
 - Commission briefing

- (d) **Greenhouse gas emissions from aviation**
 - Requested by the United Kingdom delegation
15986/04 ENV 678 AVIATION 213

- (e) **UNECE and UNESCO** high-level meeting of **Environment and Education Ministries** (Vilnius, 17 and 18 March 2005)
 - Requested by the Lithuanian delegation
16005/04 ENV 682 EDUC 225 ONU 114

- (f) Management of **biowaste**
 - Requested by the Spanish delegation
16127/04 ENV 693

(LA) Legislative act.

(*) Item on which a vote may be requested.

(x) Out of stock..