

## **COUNCIL OF** THE EUROPEAN UNION

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# **SUMMARY RECORD**

**Subject: 2211th meeting of the PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE** 

held in Brussels on 9 and 11 January 2008

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# **SUMMARY**

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7.	Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 22 January 2008  Other items in connection with the Council meeting		
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- 9. Replies to written questions put to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
  - (a) n° E-5250/07 put by Giusto Catania "Death of Claudio Castagnetta"
  - (b) n° E-5290/07 put by Hannes Swoboda, Jan Marinus Wiersma "Turkish-Iraqi cooperation against PKK"
  - (c) n° E-5296/07 put by Willy Meyer Pleite
    "Sina Paymard: sentenced to death in Iran for an offence committed when he was a minor"
  - (d) n° E-5314/07, E-5315/07, E-5316/07, E-5317/07, E-5318/07, E-5319/07, E-5322/07, E-5323/07, E-5325/07, E-5327/07, E-5329/07, E-5331/07, E-5333/07 and E-5335/07 put by Agustín Díaz de Mera García Consuegra

"Immigration liaison officers seconded to Africa"

"Cooperation with African countries"

"Conclusions of the six-monthly report on Immigration Liaison Officers"

"Cooperation agreements: Cape Verde, Ghana and Mauritania"

"Asian immigrants on the coasts of Africa"

"Resources provided for FRONTEX and the expenditure borne by the countries providing the resources"

"Meetings of the Immigration Liaison Officers Network"

"MEDSEA"

"FRONTEX: constant surveillance operations"

"Agreements concerning visas and readmission"

"Contributions to FRONTEX"

"CRATE"

"EUROSUR"

"HERA 2007"

- (e) n° E-5351/07 put by Rodi Kratsa-Tsagaropoulou "Illegal immigration on Mediterranean islands"
- (f) n° E-5370/07 put by Mario Borghezio

"Threat of Turkish incursions into Iraq - EU's position"

- (g) n° E-5442/07 put by Antolín Sánchez Presedo "Transparency for life insurance beneficiaries"
- (h) n° E-5479/07 put by Robert Goebbels

"The Lisbon Treaties and the Charter of Fundamental Rights"

- (i) n° E-5536/07 put by Maria Badia I Cutchet
  - "Compulsory indication of the country of origin of certain products imported into the European Union from third countries"
- (i) n° E-5645/07 put by Renato Brunetta
  - "Possible deterioration in Italian government finance balances"
- (k) n° E-5656/07 put by Antonios Trakatellis
  - "Updating of early diagnosis and control mechanisms for cancer"

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- (l) n° E-5726/07 put by Philip Claeys
  "Deployment of EU nationals in illegal operations by the Turkish army"
- (m) n° E-5782/07 put by Antolín Sánchez Presedo, Rosa Miguélez Ramos "Five years after the Prestige: stock-taking and prospects"
- (n) n° E-5790/07 put by Graham Watson "Azerbaijan fair trial"
- (o) n° E-5962/07 put by Graham Watson "Changes to French healthcare system"
- (p) n° E-5969/07 put by Antolin Sanchez Presedo, Javier Moreno Sanchez, Inés Ayala Sender, Rosa Miguelez Ramos "Criminal penalties against ship-source pollution"
- (q) n° E-5999/07 put by Raül Romeva i Rueda "Nuclear submarine repairs in the EU"
- (r) n° E-6127/07 put by Catherine Stihler "Absent voting in the EU"
- 10. Draft agenda for the forthcoming part-session of the European Parliament in Strasbourg from 14 to 17 January 2008
- 11. Reports N° 7/2007 and N° 12/2007 from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on EAGF expenditure (Early Warning System)
- 12. Special Report N° 4/2007 on physical and substitution checks on export refund consignments
- 13. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers, as regards the support scheme for cotton
- 14. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1924/2006 on nutrition and health claims made on foods (First reading)

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

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The above mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes:

The following item is added:

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

# 19. Approval of the election of Vice-President of the College of Eurojust

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The following item is **withdrawn**:

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

# 5. Establishment of an ad hoc working party for the implementation of the Strategic Africa/EU Partnership

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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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# **Coreper Part 2**

II

- 7. Preparation of the Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 22 January 2008
  - Other items in connection with the Council meeting

<u>The Committee</u> reviewed the state of readiness of the agenda items listed and revised the draft agenda.

8. Presentation of the agenda for the Council meeting (General Affairs and External Relations) on 28-29 January 2008

<u>Le Comité</u> prend acte de la liste des points susceptibles de figurer aux ordres du jour provisoires des sessions du Conseil susvisées.

# **Coreper Part 1**

II

### 15. Working programme of the Slovenian Presidency

- Information from the Presidency

The President informs the Committee on the main topics and features of the Slovenian Presidency.

#### 16. Lisbon Strategy

- Presentation of the working programme with a view to the Spring European Council

The Presidency presents its intentions on how to organise the work on the new Lisbon cycle and the preparation of the Spring European Council. It provides delegations with two Presidency papers which set out the envisaged working methods and timetables ("2008 Spring European Council - Integrated Guidelines" and "Roadmap for the 2008 Spring European Council on 13/14 March 2008").

- 17. Modified proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on credit agreements for consumers amending Council Directive 93/13/EC (European Parliament second reading)
  - Consideration of the European Parliament's draft amendments in preparation for a trilogue 5061/08 CONSOM 1 CODEC 6

In preparation for the trialogue to be held on 10 January 2008, <u>the Committee</u> agreed on the mandate of negotiation to be given to the Presidency as outlined in document 5061/08 (+ COR 1).

# - Presidency briefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Presidency informed that the final agreement was not reached at the trialogue on 10 January 2008. Following the consultations with the Commission and some Members of the European Parliament, the Presidency presented a possible package compromise proposal comprising remaining issues (EP draft amendments 8, 9, 15, 25, 29, 30 and 34).

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<u>The Committee</u> agreed that this possible package compromise proposal would be acceptable if it would be tabled and adopted by European Parliament at its plenary session on 16 January 2008.

# 18. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules in the field of civil aviation security (Third reading)

- Information from the Presidency

La Présidence informe <u>le Comité</u> que la conciliation sera conclue par un accord sur base de la dernière offre du Conseil fixé par <u>le Comité</u> du 19 décembre 2007.

### - Any other business

- Working methods under the Slovenian Presidency (restricted session)

Under any other business the Presidency made a number of points concerning working methods during its term. In particular it raised those dossiers whose horizontal and sensitive nature would require a close oversight from the Committee.

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