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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
17, 18 and 19 January 2024

I. Adoption of the agenda

5411/2/24 REV 2 OJ CRP1 2
5408/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP2 2

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 II

COREPER (PART 1)

WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 2024 (10:00)

Environment

2. Regulation establishing a Union certification framework for carbon removals 🗳️ 5299/24
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

3. Directive on air quality (recast) 🗳️ 5262/24
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

Agriculture and fisheries


4. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 23 January 2024: preparation

The Committee decided to have the AOB items requested by Finland on large carnivores, by the Netherlands on RENURE / Nitrates Directive, and by Portugal on water resilience, in public session.

1. Work programme of the Presidency
Presentation by the Presidency


The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. Regulation on a monitoring framework for resilient European forests
Exchange of views

 5229/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.


Culture/Audiovisual matters

5. Regulation on the European Media Freedom Act  5309/24
Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement


The Committee analysed and confirmed agreement on the final compromise text. The Committee also authorised the Chair to send a letter to inform the European Parliament with a view to an agreement at first reading.

A statement by the Commission is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.


Internal market and industry

6. Regulation on establishing a framework of measures for  5236/24
strengthening Europe's net-zero technology products
manufacturing ecosystem (Net Zero Industry Act)
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

7. Regulation on prohibiting products made with forced labour on  5287/24 + ADD 1
the Union market
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament

The Committee did not agree on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament and will revert to the file at its meeting on 26 January.

8. Directive on multiple-vote share structures (MVSD)  5175/24
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

9. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1009 as regards the  5300/24
digital labelling of EU fertilising products
Preparation for the trilogue

The Committee prepared a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue.

COREPER (PART 2)

General Affairs

27. Special meeting of the European Council on 1 February 2024
Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and by the cabinet of the President of the European Council and held an exchange of views. The Committee agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

28. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 29 January 2024:
preparation

- a) Priorities of the Belgian Presidency
Presentation by the Presidency
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Annual rule of law dialogue: country-specific discussion 5222/24
Exchange of views


The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

29. Interinstitutional ethics body 5295/24
Agreement in principle

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

30. Internal selection procedure for the seat of the Anti-Money Laundering Authority (AMLA)  5372/24
Approval

The Committee approved the internal selection procedure.

Foreign Affairs

31. Comprehensive and strategic partnership with Egypt
Exchange of views

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item next week.

32. Council meeting (Foreign Affairs) on 22 January 2024:
preparation

- a) Current affairs

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Russian aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) The situation in the Middle East
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

Economic and Financial Affairs

33. Council meeting (Economic and Financial Affairs) on
16 January 2024: follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

IV. Any other business


COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

None.

Non-discussion items "I"**COREPER (PART 1)****WEDNESDAY 17 JANUARY 2024****Institutional affairs****Written questions**

10. Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament  5238/24
Adoption by silence procedure
- (a) Cindy Franssen (PPE) 16229/23
‘Follow-up question to the Council (E-001535/2022) on the ratification by the EU of ILO Convention No 190 on violence and harassment’
- (b) Tudor Ciuhodaru (S&D) 16190/23
‘Romania is ready to enter Schengen’
- (c) Anna-Michelle Asimakopoulou (PPE), Frédérique Ries (Renew), Andrey Kovatchev (PPE), Miriam Lexmann (PPE), Lukas Mandl (PPE), Bert-Jan Ruissen (ECR), David Lega (PPE), Antonio López-Istúriz White (PPE), Dietmar Köster (S&D) 16163/23
‘Listing of the IRGC as a banned terrorist organisation’
- (d) Gianantonio Da Re (ID) 16227/23
‘Clarification on the draft Council of the European Union text on improving the housing situation of Roma’
- (e) Bart Groothuis (Renew) 16501/23
‘Transfer to Ukraine of military equipment seized by EU missions’
- (f) Pablo Arias Echeverría (PPE) 16120/23
‘Attacks on Spanish lorries at the border with France’

11. **Minutes of Council meetings**



Approval

Agriculture and Fisheries Council on 20 November 2023

15848/23 + ADD 1

Appointments

12. One alternate member (IE) of the Management Board of the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work

17072/23

SOC

Adoption

13. One alternate member (DE) of the Advisory Committee on Freedom of Movement for Workers

17070/23

SOC

Adoption

14. One alternate member (LV) of the Advisory Committee for the Coordination of Social Security Systems

17096/1/23 REV 1

SOC

Adoption

Other

15. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (FAO) on 25 January 2024

5112/24

AGRI

Approval

16. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Animals and Veterinary Questions (Chief Veterinary Officers) on 25 and 26 January 2024

5227/24

VETER

Approval

17. Attendance of third parties at meetings of the Working Party on International Environment Issues (Int. Chemicals/Synergies) during the Belgian Presidency

5208/1/24 REV 1

ENV

Approval

Other

69. List of Working Parties and Committees which will be officially organised in Belgium under the Belgian Presidency (first half of 2024)

16737/2/23 REV 2


POLGEN

Information note


Agriculture

18. Ad Hoc Working Party on Forest Monitoring (creation and mandate)
Approval  5151/24
AGRI

Environment

25. Ad Hoc Working Party on ‘One Substance, One Assessment’
(creation and mandate)
Approval  5259/24
ENV

Employment and social policy

19. 2024 Council Recommendation on the economic policy of the
euro area
Approval 5146/24
SOC
20. Directive on standards for equality bodies (Article 19)
General approach  5128/24
SOC


Statement by Austria

“Austria fully supports the objectives of the proposed Directives to strengthen the protection against discrimination and to improve the support for victims of discrimination.



Austria emphasizes that the proposed Directives set minimum standards for equality bodies.

Austria already has a well-functioning best-practice system in the field of equal treatment and anti-discrimination that has proven its worth for decades. In order to preserve effective and long-established national structures, there should be flexibility in implementing these Directives. Effective institutions and efficient mechanisms shall continue to exist within this new framework.”

Health

21. Regulation on fees and charges payable to the EMA
Adoption of the legislative act  5183/24
PE-CONS 59/23
PHARM

Internal market and industry

22. **Directive amending** Directive 2005/36/EC as regards the
recognition of professional qualifications of nurses responsible
for general care trained in Romania
Adoption of the legislative act  5199/24
PE-CONS 66/23
MI
26. Decision as regards the time limits for the adoption of
sustainability reporting standards for certain sectors and for
certain third-country undertakings
Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament  5284/24
DRS

Foreign affairs

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| 23. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of activities undermining the stability and the political transition of Sudan
<i>Adoption</i> | 5039/1/24 REV 1
5036/24
5038/24
CORLX |
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Delegated or implementing acts

Energy

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| 24. Commission Regulation (EU) .../... of XXX implementing Directive 2009/125/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards ecodesign requirements for local space heaters and separate related controls and repealing Regulation (EU) 2015/1188
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 16929/23
15508/23 + ADD 1
ENER |
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FRIDAY 19 JANUARY 2024

Transport


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| 70. European Declaration on Cycling
<i>Preparation of interinstitutional discussions</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | 5034/24
TRANS |
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COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial Affairs

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| 34. | Case C-109/23, reference for a preliminary ruling on the interpretation of Council Regulation (EU) No 833/2014
<i>Information note</i> | 5153/24
JUR |
| 35. | Case T-1084/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5290/24
JUR |
| 36. | Case T-1095/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5040/24
JUR |
| 37. | Case T-1098/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5031/24 + COR 1
JUR |
| 38. | Case T-1106/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5029/24
JUR |
| 39. | Case T-1111/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5289/24
JUR |
| 40. | Case T-1112/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5286/24
JUR |
| 41. | Case T-1116/23, action for annulment – restrictive measures (Ukraine)
<i>Information note</i> | 5033/24
JUR |



Institutional affairs

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| 42. | Minutes of Council meetings
<i>Approval</i> |  PV CONS |
| a) | FAC/Development of 21 November 2023 | 15885/23 + ADD 1
+ ADD 1 COR 2 |
| b) | FAC/Trade of 27 November 2023 | 16221/23 + ADD 1 |
| c) | GAC/Cohesion of 30 November 2023 | 16294/23 + ADD 1 |

Other

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| 43. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Law Enforcement Working Party (Police) on 19 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5144/24
ENFOPOL |
| 44. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Dual-Use Goods on 24 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5069/24
DUAL USE |
| 45. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Commodities (PROBA) on 25 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5184/24
PROBA |
| 46. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on the Western Balkans Region (COWEB) on 29 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5263/24
COWEB |
| 47. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats on 29 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5349/24
HYBRID
DISINFO |
| 48. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on Latin America and the Caribbean on 30 January 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5297/24
COLAC |
| 49. | Attendance of third parties at the meetings of the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) Working Party from 1 January to 30 June 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5171/24
ACP |
| 50. | Attendance of a third party at the meetings of the Working Party on European Free Trade Association (EFTA) during the first half of 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 5333/24
AELE |

General Affairs

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| 51. | Statute of the Court of Justice
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> |   16848/1/23 REV 1
5076/1/24 REV 1
5380/24
JUR
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A joint statement by France, Italy, Austria, Cyprus, Greece and Malta is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

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| 52. | Regulation on the detailed provisions governing the exercise of the European Parliament's right of inquiry
<i>Approval of a letter</i> | S | 5261/24
16698/23
15541/23
INST |
| 53. | Secure videoconferencing system for the European Council and the Council | | 5088/24
CIS |

Justice and Home Affairs

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| 54. | Decision empowering France to negotiate a bilateral agreement with Algeria concerning judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> | ① C | 5136/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 65/23
JUSTCIV |
| 55. | Directive on asset recovery and confiscation
<i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> | ① C | 5204/24
5202/24
COPEN |

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| 56. | Council Decision empowering France to negotiate a bilateral agreement with Algeria concerning judicial cooperation in civil matters related to family law
<i>Adoption</i> | S C | 5094/24
15124/23
JUSTCIV |
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Foreign Affairs


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| 58. | EU Requirements Catalogue 2023
<i>Approval</i> | | 5044/24
EUMC |
| 59. | 10th meeting of the EU-Egypt Association Council (Brussels, 23 January 2024): provisional agenda
<i>Approval</i> | | 5343/24
MAMA |
| 60. | Restrictive measures against Hamas – coordination with third states
<i>Approval</i> | | 5358/24
MAMA |
| 61. | Council Implementing Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria
<i>Adoption</i> | | 5356/24
17107/23
17109/23
CORLX |

62. Council Decision in support of SEESAC disarmament and arms control activities in South-East Europe reducing the threat of illicit small arms and light weapons and their ammunition
Adoption 5198/24
5197/24
CORLX

63. Conclusions on EU priorities in UN Human Rights Fora in 2024
Approval 5310/24
COHOM

A statement by Hungary is set out in document 5310/24 ADD 1.


64. 15th meeting of the Intergovernmental Conference at Ministerial Level between the European Union and Montenegro
Establishment of the EU position 5348/24
ELARG

68. Council Decision and Regulation establishing restrictive measures against those who support, facilitate or enable violent actions by Hamas and the Palestinian Islamic Jihad
Adoption  5277/24
5273/24
5275/24
CORLX
Decision to use the written procedure


A joint statement by Romania, Denmark, Germany, Finland, the Netherlands, Slovenia and Sweden is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

EU position for international negotiations

65. Council Decision on the EU position in the WTO on the accession of Timor-Leste to the WTO
Adoption  5215/24
16820/23
POLCOM




A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

66. Council Decision on the EU position in the WTO on the accession of the Comoros to the WTO
Adoption  5212/24
16819/23
POLCOM

A statement by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

67. Council Decision on the EU position within the EU-Albania Stabilisation and Association Council concerning the setting up of Joint Consultative Committees with the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions
Adoption

C 5139/24
16679/23 + ADD 1
ELARG

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- I** First reading
S Special legislative procedure
 Procédure de silence (article 12, paragraphe 2, du règlement intérieur du Conseil)
 Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
 Restricted item
C Item based on a Commission proposal
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