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NOTE

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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In accordance with Article 3(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Council, the President of the European Council, in close cooperation with the member of the European Council representing the Member State holding the six-monthly Presidency of the Council and with the President of the Commission, shall submit an annotated draft agenda to the General Affairs Council.

Delegations will find attached the annotated draft agenda submitted by the President of the European Council, setting out the main items the European Council is expected to address on the above mentioned meeting.

In the light of the final discussion to be held by the General Affairs Council within the five days preceding the European Council meeting, the President of the European Council shall draw up the provisional agenda.

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I. MIGRATION

The European Council will discuss further steps to address the migration and refugee crisis.

II. EUROPEAN SEMESTER / JOBS, GROWTH AND COMPETITIVENESS

The European Council will review the implementation of Country Specific Recommendations and discuss priorities for the 2016 European Semester. In that context, the Netherlands Presidency will report on progress on the main initiatives to strengthen the Single Market.
