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SUMMARY RECORD

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE (Part 1)

31 January 2018

I. Adoption of the agenda

5705/18 OJ CRP1 4 + COR 1

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

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Telecommunications

2. Directive on the European Electronic Communications Code 5561/18
(recast)
Preparation for the trilogue

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

Internal Market and Industry

3. Directive on copyright - Digital Single Market 5284/18
Guidance for further work

The Committee provided guidance on certain aspects related to copyright in the Digital Single Market.

Culture/Audiovisual Matters

4. Review of the Directive on audiovisual media services (AVMS)
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Culture

5. Creative Europe Programme - EU Youth Orchestra (EUYO) 5660/18
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue
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.

PL indicated it will abstain.

Internal Market and Industry

6. Directive on a proportionality test before adoption of new
regulation of professions
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

Energy

7. Directive on energy performance of buildings 5562/18
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.

HR, UK and SK indicated they could not support the final compromise.

Statement by Sweden

"Buildings are playing an increasingly important role in the energy system and Sweden has been generally supportive of a revised Directive on the energy performance of buildings to integrate buildings into the energy system on market based conditions. In our view, electric vehicles should be a safe investment and obstacles to use electric vehicles should be cleared away, for example through an expansion of charging infrastructure.

However, the compromise with the European parliament in article 8 2a that requires the installation of a minimum number of recharging points by 1 January 2025 risks to become very costly, while it is unclear how the requirement contributes to established goals or leads to other benefits. Sweden takes note that the provision has been widened considerably, not only to new and non-residential buildings undergoing major renovation with more than twenty parking spaces, but to all such non-residential buildings. Sweden deeply regrets that this provision has been included without allowing for an impact assessment of the costs and benefits."

"I" items approved

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Institutional Affairs

Written questions

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| 8. | Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament
<i>Adoption by silence procedure</i> | 5591/18 |
| a) | E-005882/2017 - Werner Langen (PPE)
Amendment of tax rules for non-resident workers in Luxembourg from 1 January 2018 | 5272/18 |
| b) | E-005987/2017 - Tom Vandenkendelaere (PPE)
Minimum rates of excise duty on alcohol and alcoholic beverages | 5028/18 |
| c) | E-006144/2017 - Nicolas Bay (ENF)
Pakistan and the harbouring of terrorists | 5029/18 |
| d) | E-006769/2017 - João Pimenta Lopes (GUE/NGL)
Permanent removal of the FARC from the EU's list of terrorist organisations | 5031/18 |
| e) | E-007005/2017 - Barbara Kappel (ENF)
Accountability of the Eurogroup | 5032/18 |

Appointments

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| 9. | Appointment a member (DK) in the category of Employer's representatives (CEDEFOP)
<i>Adoption</i> | 5502/18 |
| 10. | Appointment of a member (IT) in the category of Government representatives (CEDEFOP)
<i>Adoption</i> | 5579/18 |

Judicial Affairs

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| 11. | Judgment in Case C-389/15
<i>Information note for the Committee of Permanent Representatives (Part 1)</i> | 5611/18 + COR 1 |
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Delegated or Implementing Acts

Energy

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| 12. | Commission Decision of XXX establishing EU Ecolabel criteria for indoor cleaning services
<i>Decision not to oppose adoption</i> | 5329/18
15507/17 + ADD 1 |
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Energy

13. Southern Gas Corridor - Joint Declaration 5651/18
Approval
Decision to use the written procedure

Internal Market and Industry

14. Council Decision on the conclusion of the Marrakesh Treaty 5550/18
Adoption 12629/17
14617/14

Fisheries

15. Partnership Agreement with the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire: 5376/18 + ADD 1
opening negotiations + COR 1
Adoption 5378/18 + ADD 1

Economic and Financial Affairs

16. New Finnish Commemorative Coin 5444/18
17. ESRB recommendations and warnings 5513/18
Endorsement 5511/18
18. Council Decision concerning the external auditors of the Central Bank of Cyprus 5222/18
Adoption 5223/18

Foreign Affairs

19. EDF discharge procedure: financial year 2016 5083/18
Adoption 5078/18
5079/18
5080/18
5082/18
20. Position of the EU for the 15th EU-Azerbaijan Cooperation Council (Brussels, 9 February 2018) 5441/18
Decision to use the written procedure for the adoption
21. EUSR Human Rights - Decision 5652/18
Adoption 5566/18

Justice and Home Affairs

22. Schengen evaluation Recommendation - France return 5555/18
Adoption 5554/18