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1. Adoption of the agenda

The Council adopted the agenda set out in 6134/20 and agreed to withdraw item 3 ("(poss.) Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027") when adopting the agenda.

2. Approval of "A" items

a) Non-legislative list 6135/20

The Council adopted the "A" items listed in 6135/20 including COR and REV documents presented for adoption.

b) Legislative list (Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union) 6136/20

Energy

1. Regulation on tyre labelling



5994/20
14649/19 + ADD 1
ENER

Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons
approved by Coreper, Part 1, on 19.02.2020

The Council approved its position at first reading, in accordance with Article 294(5) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and the statement of the Council's reasons.
(Legal basis: Article 114 and Article 194(2) TFEU)

Economic and Financial Affairs

2. Excise duties

5931/20

- a) Directive on general arrangements for excise duty (recast)
- b) Regulation on administrative cooperation of the content of electronic register



14107/19
14108/19
FISC

Approval of the Irish language version

approved by Coreper, Part 2, on 19.02.2020

The Council approved the Irish language versions of the Directive and the Regulation, as finalised by the legal-linguistic experts and set out in doc. 14107/19 and 14108/19.

Legislative deliberations

(Public deliberation in accordance with Article 16(8) of the Treaty on European Union)

3. (poss.) Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-2027 SC
Information from the Presidency

This item was withdrawn.

Non-legislative activities

4. Preparation of the European Council on 26-27 March 2020: 5807/20 + COR 1
Annotated Draft Agenda
Exchange of views

5. **Legislative programming** 3
a) **Commission's Work Programme for 2020** 5820/20
Presentation by the Commission 5652/20 + ADD 1
Exchange of views
b) **Joint Declaration on legislative priorities and
multiannual programming**
Exchange of views

The Commission gave a presentation on its work programme for 2020. The Council held an exchange of views on the Commission's Work Programme, and the Joint Declaration on legislative priorities and multiannual programming.

6. Enlargement and Stabilisation and Association Process
Presentation by the Commission
7. EU-UK relations
a) Council Decision authorising the opening of the 6239/20
negotiations for a new partnership with the United 5870/20
Kingdom + ADD 1 REV 2
Adoption
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8. Any other business



First reading



Special legislative procedure



Public debate (Article 8(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)



Item based on a Commission proposal
