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From:	Presidency
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
Subject:	Energy situation in Europe as a result of the crisis in Ukraine - <i>Exchange of views</i>

Ahead of the extraordinary meeting of the TTE (Energy) Council on 28 February 2022, delegations will find attached the background note prepared by the French Presidency.

The European Council of 24 February called for the work on preparedness and readiness at all levels to be taken forward and invited the Commission, in particular, to put forward contingency measures, including in the field of energy.

Against this background and in light of the latest developments, this meeting of the TTE (Energy) Council will address the following issues:

1. The Commission will report on its analysis of the **current situation** as regards the security of oil and gas supplies and energy price developments.
2. The Commission will also present its various analyses and simulations regarding readiness for **different hypothetical disruption scenarios**, possible additional measures (particularly as regards storage) and preparations for **next winter**.

As regards the current situation, energy ministers will be invited to present their analysis of the general situation and of their specific situation with regard to supply, stocks and current energy flows.

As regards possible additional disruptions and preparations for the coming months, ministers will be invited to exchange their analyses of the level of preparedness and possible contingency measures.

The aim of this ministerial debate is to take stock of possible additional actions in terms of safeguarding supply, using strategic oil stocks, managing gas stocks, particularly with the coming weeks and months in mind, and strengthening coordination between the Union and the Member States and sending out common messages.

The ministerial debate also aims to take stock of possible responses at Union level and options for the Member States as regards the impact of prices on households, industries and the economy, both in the current situation and in various hypothetical scenarios.

3. Lastly, the current situation has also given rise to calls for **assistance to Ukraine** in the energy sector. Ministers will be invited to shared their views on the arrangements for such assistance.