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SUMMARY RECORD
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE
25 February and 1 March 2026

I. Adoption of the agenda

6548/26 + ADD 1 OJ CRP1 9
6498/1/26 REV 1 + REV 1 ADD 1 OJ CRP2 9

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, 25 FEBRUARY 2026

Competitiveness

2. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 26 and 27 February 2026: preparation

The Committee finalised the preparation of the Council meeting and took note of the AOB requested by Belgium on “Safeguarding our industrial competitiveness through a pragmatic and technology-neutral hydrogen approach under RED III”. It decided to take the latter as well as the AOBs previously requested by the Commission on “Bioeconomy Strategy” and by Poland on “Strengthening Europe’s chemical industry” in public session.

Environment

3. Regulation on circularity requirements for vehicle design and on  6180/26
management of end-of-life vehicles
Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement

The Committee analysed and confirmed agreement on the final compromise text. It authorised the Chair to send a letter to inform the European Parliament with a view to an agreement. Statements by Germany and Slovakia are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

4. Meeting of the Council (Environment) on 17 March 2026: agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the Presidency. It also took note of the AOBs requested by Austria on “Implementing the LULUCF Regulation in the European Union” and by Belgium on “the future European Framework on climate resilience” and decided to take them in public session.

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

5. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 16 March 2026: agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the Presidency and agreed to invite the ACER Director ad interim for an introduction to the exchange of views on the Action Plan for Affordable Energy, and, together with a representative of the EIB, for the Ministerial lunch. It also agreed to invite the Moldovan Minister of Energy and the Ukrainian Minister of Energy for the exchange of views on Advancing mutual energy security. It also took note of the AOB requested by Denmark on “Need for simplification of the Energy Performance Buildings Directive (EPBD)” (*NB: AOB has been withdrawn by Denmark at a later stage*).

Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs

6. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 9 March 2026: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOB requested by the Netherlands on “Legal clarity on the posting of third country nationals” and agreed to take it in public session.

1. Breaking the Poverty Cycle: Developing person-centred enabling and activation services 6343/26
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. European Semester 2026
- a) Employment and social aspects of the 2026 Recommendation on the economic policy of the euro area
Approval 6172/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) 2026 Joint Employment Report
Adoption 6076/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

3. Employment Committee review of the implementation of the Youth Guarantee: key messages
Endorsement 6184/26

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Employment, Social Policy

7. Traineeships Directive 
Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue

The Committee took note of the debriefing by the Presidency on the outcome of the trilogue on 24 February.

COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2026

General Affairs

13. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 17 March 2026:
Agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the Presidency.

14. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 24 February 2026:
Follow-up

This item was withdrawn.

15. Revision of the 2010 Framework Agreement between the European Parliament and the Commission  6427/26
Exchange of views
Approval of a letter

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency, held an exchange of views and approved the letter to the Presidents of the European Parliament and the Commission.

Foreign Affairs

16. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 23 February 2026:
Follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting.

17. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 16 March 2026:
Agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda of the Council meeting as presented by the EEAS and approved the participation of India's Foreign Minister for the lunch session and of Ukraine's Foreign Minister for the item on Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine.

Economic and Financial Affairs

18. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on
10 March 2026: Preparation

- a) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

Justice and Home Affairs

19. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on
5 and 6 March 2026: Preparation

- a) Overall state of the Schengen area

i) Schengen Barometer 6206/26
Exchange of views

ii) Implementation of the Schengen Council cycle 6471/26
priorities: incentivising voluntary returns
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Implementation of interoperability: revised post-2026 6446/26
roadmap
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) External dimension of migration 6273/26
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Implementation of the Pact on Migration and Asylum
State of play

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- e) Conclusions on the EU Drugs Strategic Framework 6433/26
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- f) The future of Europol 6276/26
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- g) Impact of the current geopolitical environment on the 6295/1/26 REV 1
EU's internal security: situation in Syria
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- h) Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine: fight against 6130/26
impunity
State of play

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- i) Lawyers' independence in Europe: the EU's role and the 6414/26
Council of Europe Convention
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- j) Conclusions on the application of the EU Charter of 6422/26 + ADD 1
Fundamental Rights 2026
Approval
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

A statement by Hungary is set out in document 6422/26 ADD 1.

- k) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and of requests for 'any other business' items by France and Slovenia regarding sanctions imposed by United States on certain judges and prosecutors of the International Criminal Court (ICC), by Estonia concerning a coordinated response to the European internal security threat posed by Russian ex-combatants, and by Lithuania on hybrid threats in the context of Home Affairs funds. The Committee also approved the participation of two ICC judges (from France and Slovenia) for the first any other business item.

SUNDAY, 1 MARCH 2026

Foreign Affairs

- 53. Informal videoconference of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs on 1 March 2026: agenda and preparation

- a) Situation in the Middle East
Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the draft agenda as well as of the information provided by the EEAS and prepared the informal videoconference.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

Regulation on air passenger rights
Information from the Presidency



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

COREPER (PART 2)

Seat selection procedure for the EU Customs Agency (EUCA)
Information from the Presidency

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


State of play regarding work on Omnibus packages
Information from the Presidency

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


Reform setbacks and new judicial laws in Serbia
Information from Germany

The Committee took note of the information provided by Germany and the Commission.

Non-discussion items "I"**COREPER (PART 1)****Transport**

8. Regulation on the accounting of greenhouse gas emissions of transport services
Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons
-  6395/26
15614/25 + ADD 1
TRANS

Agriculture


9. Regulation on cross-border enforcement of rules against unfair trading practices (UTPs)
Adoption of the legislative act
-  6389/26
PE-CONS 57/25
AGRI

Environment

10. European Climate Law amendment
Adoption of the legislative act
-  6256/26 + ADD 1
REV 1
PE-CONS 5/26
CLIMA


Statements by Finland, France, Hungary, Malta and Poland are set out in document 6256/26 ADD 1 REV 1.

Internal Market and Industry

11. Directive amending Directive 2014/32/EU on measuring instruments
Adoption of the legislative act
-  6459/1/26 REV 1
+ ADD 1
PE-CONS 58/25
ENT

Statements by the Czech Republic and Austria are set out in document 6459/26 ADD 1 .

Culture/Audiovisual Matters

12. Council Decision renewing the period of entitlement for audiovisual co-productions between the EU and Korea (Period: 2026-2029)
Adoption
-  6443/26
6325/26
AUDIO
CULT

EU positions for international negotiations

53. Union position for a request to the UNECE Executive Secretary to bring truck blockages in the Republic of Belarus to the attention of UNECE members
Approval
- 6496/1/26 REV 1
+ COR 1
TRANS


COREPER (PART 2)

WEDNESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2026

Judicial Affairs

21. Case C-29/26 P (R), appeal against the judgement in case T-582/25 R, restrictive measures (Russia) 6419/26
Information note JUR
22. Case C-685/25 P, appeal against the judgement in case T-446/24, restrictive measures (Ukraine) 6416/26
Information note JUR

Institutional Affairs


23. **Minutes of Council meetings**  PV CONS
Approval
- a) ECOFIN on 20.01.26 5535/26 + ADD 1
- Other**
24. Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal files in the field of external relations (Horizontal questions) subgroup of the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors (RELEX) on 27 February 2026 6437/26
Approval GLOBAL
GATEWAY
25. Attendance of third parties at the Global Europe Instrument subgroup of the ad hoc Working Party on the Multiannual Financial Framework (AHWP MFF) on 2 March 2026 6410/26
Approval CADREFIN
26. Attendance of third parties at the Critical Entities Resilience (CER) subgroup of the Working Party on Civil Protection (PROCIV) on 3 March 2026 6478/26
Approval PROCIV
27. Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats (HWP ERCHT) on 3 March 2026 6408/26
Approval HYBRID
DISINFO
28. Attendance of a third party at the Asylum Working Party on 3 March 2026 6559/26
Approval JAI

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| 29. | Attendance of a third party at the Indirect Taxation subgroup of the Working Party on Tax Questions on 4 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 5873/26
FISC |
| 30. | Attendance of a third party at the informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (Agenda 2030) on 5 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6375/26
SUSTDEV |
| 31. | Attendance of a third party at the Budget Committee on 5 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6549/26
FIN |
| 32. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Development Cooperation and International Partnerships (CODEV-PI) on 2 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6558/26
DEVGEN |
| 33. | Attendance of a third party at the ad hoc Working Party on Reconstruction and Support for Ukraine (AHWP RESUA) on 6 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6518/26
RESUA |
| 34. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Dual-Use Goods on 11 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6438/26
DUAL USE |
| 35. | Attendance of third parties at the Conventional arms exports (COARM) subgroup of the Working Party on Non-Proliferation and Arms Exports on 25 March 2026
<i>Approval</i> | 6456/26
COARM |
| 36. | Attendance of third parties at the Visa Working Party, the Working Party on JHA Information Exchange (IXIM) and the JHA Counsellors during the Cyprus Presidency
<i>Approval</i> | 6397/26
IXIM
VISA |
| 37. | Attendance of a third party at the Working Party of Financial Counsellors (FICO) during the Cyprus Presidency
<i>Approval</i> | 6504/26
ECOFIN |


Transparency

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| 38. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 03/c/01/26
<i>Approval</i> | 5576/26
API |
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Economic and Financial Affairs

39. Bank Recovery and Resolution Directive (BRRD)  6476/26
Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons 15445/25 + ADD 1
EF


A statement by Germany and a joint statement by Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Netherlands are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

40. Deposit Guarantee Scheme Directive (DGSD)  6477/26
Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons 15484/25 + ADD 1
EF


A statement by Germany and a joint statement by Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Netherlands are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

41. Single Resolution Mechanism Regulation (SRMR)  6475/26
Adoption of the Council's position at first reading and of the statement of the Council's reasons 15389/25 + ADD 1
EF



A statement by Germany and a joint statement by Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czechia, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia and the Netherlands are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

42. ECA SR No 06/2026 on tackling fraud in the RRF  6455/26
Designation of a Working Party FIN
Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working party meeting

General Affairs

43. Regulation on European Union designs (codification)  6382/26
Adoption of the legislative act PE-CONS 48/25
CODIF
44. Seat selection procedure for the EU Customs Agency (EUCA) 6685/26
- a) Common Understanding with the European Parliament 6532/26
- b) Internal Council process 6539/26
Approval

Foreign Affairs

45. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Ukraine
Adoption 5986/26 + COR 1
5983/26
5985/26
CORLX
46. Council Decision and Regulation on Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism
Adoption 11497/25 + ADD 1
11494/25
11496/25 + ADD 1
CORLX
- A joint statement by Belgium, Germany, Denmark, Finland, the Netherlands, Sweden, Slovenia and Romania, a joint statement by the Commission and the High Representative and a statement by the Commission are set out in document 11497/25 ADD 1.
47. Mercosur bilateral safeguard Regulation
Adoption of the legislative act  6466/26 + ADD 1-2
+ ADD 2 REV 1
PE-CONS 56/25
POLCOM
- A statement by the Commission is set out in document 6466/26 ADD 1. Statements by Hungary and Latvia are set out in document 6466/26 ADD 2 REV 1.
48. Coordination with third countries regarding restrictive measures against cyberattacks threatening the EU or its Member States
Approval 6514/26
CYBER
49. Comprehensive and strategic partnership with Morocco
Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument 6426/26
MAMA
50. PSC Decision on the appointment of interim Force Commander EUNAVFOR ASPIDES/1/2026
Decision to publish in the Official Journal  6464/26
6291/26
COPS

EU positions for international negotiations

51. Council Decision on the EU position in the International Olive Council (IOC) with respect to the accession of Pakistan to the International Agreement on Olive Oil and Table Olives, 2015
Adoption ☐ 6252/26
6178/26 + ADD 1
PROBA
52. Council Decision on EU position at the 69th session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on international scheduling of new psychoactive substances
Adoption ☐ 6105/26
6040/26 + ADD 1
CORDROGUE

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- ❶ First reading
- 📖 Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
- ☐ Item based on a Commission proposal
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