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## **SUMMARY RECORD**

### **PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE**

21 and 23 February 2024

#### **I. Adoption of the agenda**

6736/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP1 7

6729/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP2 7

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 21 FEBRUARY 2024**

#### **Employment and Social Policy**

43. Directive extending the Directive establishing the European Disability Card and the European Parking Card for persons with disabilities to third country nationals 📄 6535/1/24 REV 1  
*Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament*

The Committee agreed on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament and made it public.

## **Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs**

44. Meeting of the Council (Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs) on 11 March 2024: agenda


The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda. The Committee agreed to take all the items on the agenda at this stage in public session, except for the adoption of the agenda and non-legislative A items. It also took note of the attendance of the Employment and Social Protection Committees Chairs at the discussion items within the Chairs' remit.

## **Agriculture and Fisheries**

45. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 26 February 2024: preparation

The Committee agreed to hold the Commission AOB on “Mandatory use of the digital system ‘CATCH’ to fight illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing” and the AOB from Poland on the agricultural sector and climate policy, in public session.

## **Environment**

46. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2017/852 on mercury as  6308/24 + COR 1  
regards dental amalgam and other mercury-added products  
*Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement*

The Committee analysed and confirmed agreement on the final compromise text. The Committee also authorised the Chair to send a letter to inform the European Parliament with a view to an agreement.

## **FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024**

### **Transport**

47. Directive amending Directive 2009/21/EC on compliance with flag State requirements **IC** 6284/24 + COR 1  
*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue.

48. Directive amending Directive 2009/16/EC on port State control **IC** 6285/1/24 REV 1  
*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue.

49. Directive on ship-source pollution and on the introduction of penalties for pollution offences **IC**  
*Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 15 February 2024.

### **Environment**

50. Directive on air quality (recast) **IC**  
*Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 20 February 2024.

51. Regulation establishing a Union certification framework for carbon removals **IC**  
*Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*

The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 19 February 2024.

### **Competitiveness**

52. Meeting of the Competitiveness Council (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space) on 7 March 2024: preparation

1. State of play of the single market: The 2024 Annual Single Market and Competitiveness Report 6625/24  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. Regulation on combating late payment in commercial transactions **IC** 6586/24  
*Policy debate*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

## **Health**

53. Regulation on the European Health Data Space  
*Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*



The Presidency debriefed on the trilogue which took place on 20 February 2024.

## **COREPER (PART 2)**

### **General affairs**

2. Interinstitutional ethics body: remaining issues of the Council position 6462/2/24 REV 2  
*Agreement in principle* + REV 2 COR 1

The Committee agreed in principle on a revised mandate for negotiations.

3. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 20 February 2024: follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

### **Foreign affairs**


4. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade) from 25 to 29 February 2024: preparation
- a) Conclusions at the start of the 13th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization 6582/24  
*Approval*
- b) Conclusions at the end of the 13th Ministerial Conference of the World Trade Organization 6583/24  
*Approval*
- c) Council Decision on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the World Trade Organization's 13th Ministerial Conference 5163/24  
*Adoption*

The Committee prepared these three items for the Council meeting.

An oral intervention by the Commission is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

- d) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

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

5. Ukraine and Moldova: autonomous trade measures 
- a) Renewal of the Regulation on temporary trade liberalisation supplementing trade concessions under the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement 6298/24

- b) Renewal of the Regulation on temporary trade liberalisation supplementing trade concessions under the EU-Moldova Association Agreement 6302/24  
*Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament*

The Committee agreed on mandates for negotiations with the European Parliament.

An oral intervention by the Commission on sub-item a) is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

6. Preparation for the sixth meeting of the EU-US Trade and Technology Council  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item at one of its forthcoming meetings.

7. Russia's aggression against Ukraine



- a) Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine  
*Preparation for the adoption*  
*Decision to use the written procedure*



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6424/24  
6425/24 + ADD 1

- b) Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine  
*Preparation for the adoption*  
*Decision to use the written procedure*



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6419/24  
6422/24

The Committee agreed on the texts and decided to use the written procedure for their adoption.

- c) Review of the EU's restrictive measures concerning the territorial integrity of Ukraine  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee held an exchange of views.

8. Council Decision amending Council Decision (CFSP) 2021/509 establishing a European Peace Facility 6394/24  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

9. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 19 February 2024:  
follow-up

The above-mentioned item was withdrawn.

**Justice and home affairs**

10. Meeting of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs) on 4 and  
5 March 2024: preparation

- a) The fight against drug trafficking and organised crime: 6504/24  
security aspects  
*State of play*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Implications of the conflict in the Middle East and 6658/24  
consequences of Russia's aggression against Ukraine for  
the EU's internal security  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and approved the attendance of the Minister for Internal Affairs of Ukraine via videoconference.

- c) Ensuring the resilience of the justice system when dealing 6572/24  
with criminal organisations in a state governed by the rule  
of law  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Council conclusions on the Commission's annual report 6569/24  
on the application of the Charter: effective legal protection  
and access to justice  
*Approval*  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.


- e) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and approved the attendance of the Prosecutor General of Ukraine for the lunch session on the justice day.

**Economic and financial affairs**

11. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on  
12 March 2024: agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

12. Regulation on the effective coordination of economic policies and multilateral budgetary surveillance  6644/1/24 REV 1  
6645/1/24 REV 1  
*Analysis of the final compromise text with a view to agreement* ECOFIN

The Committee analysed and confirmed agreement on the final compromise text.

A statement by Hungary is set out in ADD 1 to this document.

13. Conclusions on the budget guidelines for 2025 6178/24 + ADD 1  
*Approval*  
*Approval of a letter*

The Committee agreed to submit this item to the Council for approval as a B item.



**IV. Any other business**

**COREPER (PART 1)**

None.

**COREPER (PART 2)**

List of third countries eligible for financing under the Ukraine facility regulation

The Committee took note of the information provided by Greece.


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**Non-discussion items "I"**

**COREPER (PART 1)**

**Institutional affairs**

**Written questions**

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| 54. | Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament<br><i>Adoption by silence procedure</i>  |  6534/24<br>PE-QE |
| a)  | Jean-Paul Garraud (ID)<br>‘European Council putting limits on EU enlargement’   | 6561/24  |
| b)  | Carlos Coelho (PPE), José Manuel Fernandes (PPE), Lúcia Pereira (PPE), Maria da Graça Carvalho (PPE), Cláudia Monteiro de Aguiar (PPE)<br>‘Lack of a Portuguese member of the European Court of Auditors’ | 5782/24  |

**Other items**


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| 55. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Cultural Affairs Committee on 26 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i>   | 5817/24 + COR 1<br>CULT |
| 56. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Forestry on 11 March 2024<br><i>Approval</i>   | 6354/24<br>AGRI         |
| 57. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the ERAC on 11 and 12 April 2024<br><i>Approval</i>   | 6427/24<br>RECH         |
| 58. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on International Food and Agricultural Questions (FAO) on 23 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i> | 6415/24<br>AGRI         |
| 59. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Competitiveness and Growth (Industry) on 27 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i>               | 6588/24<br>COMPET       |
| 60. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Horizontal Working Party on Cyber Issues on 23 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i>                             | 6577/24<br>CYBER        |

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| 61. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on Space on 1 March 2024<br><i>Approval</i>             | 6634/24<br>ESPACE |
| 62. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Social Questions Working Party on 29 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i> | 6655/24<br>SOC    |


### **EU positions for international negotiations**

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| 63. | Position to be taken on behalf of the EU as regards the adoption of amendments to annexes to the Chicago Convention at the 231st Session of the ICAO Council<br><i>Approval</i> | 6043/24<br>AVIATION |
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### **Employment and Social Policy**

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| 64. | Directive amending Directive 98/24/EC and Directive 2004/37/EC as regards the limit values for lead and its inorganic compounds and diisocyanates<br><i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  6455/24<br>PE-CONS 81/23<br>SOC |
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### **Fisheries**


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| 65. | Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2017/2107 applicable in the Convention area of the ICCAT and Regulation (EU) 2023/2053 establishing a multiannual management plan for bluefin tuna in the eastern Atlantic and the Mediterranean<br><i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  6454/24<br>PE-CONS 71/23<br>PECHE |
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### **Environment**

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| 66. | Decision amending Directive 2007/2/EC as regards certain reporting requirements for infrastructures for spatial information<br><i>Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament</i><br><i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> |  6631/24<br>ENV   |
| 67. | Directive amending Directive 2011/65/EU as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks to the European Chemicals Agency<br><i>Decision to consult an institution or body</i>  |   6560/24<br>ENV |

68. COP28 Joint Statement on Climate, Nature and People and China's Action Initiative for Implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework  
*Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument* 6570/24  
ENV

### **Health**

69. Regulation amending Regulations (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2017/746 as regards a gradual roll-out of Eudamed, information obligation in case of interruption of supply and the transitional provisions for certain in vitro diagnostic medical devices  
*Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement*  6156/24  
PHARM

### **FRIDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2024**

#### **EU positions for international negotiations**

70. Council Decision on behalf of the European Union at UNECE (March 2024)  
*Adoption*  6437/24  
6584/24  
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### **Foreign Affairs**

72. Council Decision appointing the European Union Special Representative for Human Rights  
*Adoption* 6262/24  
6261/24  
CORLX

## **COREPER (PART 2)**

### **Judicial affairs**


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| 14. Case T-1059/23, application for annulment, tariff quotas<br><i>Information note</i> | 6650/24<br>JUR |
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### **Institutional affairs**








#### **Other**

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| 15. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Horizontal files subgroup of the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors on 23 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i> | 6421/24<br>GLOBAL<br>GATEWAY |
| 16. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Development Cooperation and International Partnerships on 26 February 2024<br><i>Approval</i>         | 6276/24<br>DEVGEN            |
| 17. Attendance of a third party at the Security Accreditation Board meeting on 7 March 2024<br><i>Approval</i>   | 6459/24<br>SAB               |



### **Transparency**

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| 18. Public access to documents<br>Confirmatory application No 02/c/01/24<br><i>Approval</i>           | 5432/24<br>+ ADD 1 REV 1<br>INF  |
| 19. Public access to documents<br>Confirmatory application No 03/c/01/24<br><i>Approval</i>           | 5443/24 + ADD 1<br>INF   |
| 20. Public access to documents<br>Confirmatory application No 04/c/01/24<br><i>Approval</i>           | 5475/24 + COR 1<br>+ ADD 1<br>INF  |
| 21. Public access to documents: request 24/0401<br><i>Decision to make the Council minutes public</i> |  6695/24<br>API |


## **Economic and financial affairs**

22. European Court of Auditors' special report No 01/2024 on carbon dioxide emissions from passenger cars  
*Designation of a Working Party*  
*Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the Working Party meeting*  6540/24  
FIN
23. Directive amending the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directives (AIFMD)  
*Adoption of the legislative act*   6408/24  
PE-CONS 67/23  
EF
24. Instant Payments Regulation  
*Adoption of the legislative act*   6407/24  
PE-CONS 76/23  
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25. Regulation on European statistics  
*Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement*   6607/24  
6608/24  
STATIS





A statement by the Slovak Republic is set out in ADD 1 to this document.


26. Council Implementing Decision authorising Poland to apply reduced rates of excise duty to heavy fuel oil, natural gas, coal and coke, used as heating fuels  
*Adoption*  6647/24  
6113/24  
FISC
27. Council Implementing Decision authorising Sweden to apply a reduced rate of taxation to electricity directly provided to vessels at berth in a port  
*Adoption*  6648/24  
6115/24  
FISC

## **General affairs**

28. Regulation on the statute and funding of European political parties and European political foundations  
*State of play*   6649/24  
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## **Justice and home affairs**


29. Regulation on automated data exchange for police cooperation ('Prüm II')  
*Adoption of the legislative act*   6531/24 + ADD 1  
PE-CONS 75/23  
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- A statement by Denmark is set out in document 6531/24 ADD 1.
30. Regulation amending Council Decision on Customs Information System (CIS) to align it with EU data protection rules  
*Adoption of the legislative act*   6532/24  
PE-CONS 89/23  
ENFOCUSTOM

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| 31. Regulation amending Interim Regulation (EU) 2021/1232 on child sexual abuse<br><i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i> |  6204/24<br>JAI |
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### **Foreign affairs**

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| 32. Joint Statement with the United States of America in the framework of the EU-US Trade and Technology Council<br><i>Authorisation to negotiate a non-binding instrument</i> | 6518/24<br>TTC |
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| 33. Council recommendations on the discharge for the European Development Funds for 2022<br><i>Adoption</i><br><i>Approval of a letter</i> | 5894/24<br>5889/24<br>5891/24<br>5892/24<br>ACP |
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| 35. Ukraine: Joint statement of the Participants of the Crimea Platform<br><i>Approval of a non-binding instrument</i><br><i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> |  6624/24<br>COEST |
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| 37. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Belarus and the involvement of Belarus in the Russian aggression against Ukraine<br><i>Adoption</i> | 5679/24<br>5675/24<br>5678/24<br>CORLX |
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| 38. Council Implementing Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya<br><i>Adoption</i> | 6191/24<br>6187/24<br>6190/24<br>CORLX |
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| 39. Simplification of the procedure for pre-notifications in the renewal of EU restrictive measures<br><i>Approval</i> | 6637/24<br>CORLX |
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| 40. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of actions destabilising the Republic of Moldova<br><i>Approval</i><br><i>Decision to use the written procedure</i> |  6193/24 + COR 1<br>6185/24<br>6192/24<br>CORLX |
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| 71. Restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria: letter of reply<br><i>Approval</i> | 6706/24<br>CORLX |
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## **Other items**

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| 41. | Approval of a cryptographic product<br><i>Approval</i>                   | 5909/24 <b>EU-R</b><br>CSCI<br>CSC |
| 42. | Withdrawal of the approval of a cryptographic product<br><i>Approval</i> | 6361/24<br>CSCI<br>CSC             |



Première lecture



Décision de procédure par le Coreper (article 19, paragraphes 3 et 7, du règlement intérieur du Conseil)



Sur la base d'une proposition de la Commission

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