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1. Adoption of the provisional agenda and items "I"

doc. 8196/09 OJ/CRP1 13 + ADD 1

8075/09 OJ/CRP2 13 COMIX 260

The above mentioned agenda is approved with the following changes:

The following item is **added** :

(Coreper Part 1, under I)

50. Proposal for a Council Regulation concerning a multi-annual recovery plan for bluefin tuna in the Eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean

- Adoption

7598/1/09 PECHE 66 REV 1	+ REV 1 ADD 1	REV 1 ADD 2
7116/09 PECHE 44	+ COR 1	+ COR 2 (nl)
	+ COR 4 (fr)	+ COR 5 (nl)
	+ REV 1 (lt)	+ COR 3 (fi)

The following items are **withdrawn** :

(Coreper Part 2, under I)

49. Application by Montenegro for membership of the European Union

- Draft Council conclusions

8260/09 COWEB 63 ELARG 13

(Coreper Part 2, under II)

43. (poss.) Free Trade Agreement with South Korea : criminal law provisions

The Committee approves the "I" items as set out in the summary. Details are contained in the document quoted under item 1.

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- 18. Setting of the provisional agenda of the Council meeting (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 23 and 24 April 2009
(For the items within the remit of the Permanent Representatives Committee)**

The Committee agrees the provisional agenda for the forthcoming Council meeting (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 23 and 24 April 2009 as set out in 8911/09.

- 19. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation 1692/2006 establishing the second "Marco Polo" programme for the granting of Community financial assistance to improve the environmental performance of the freight transport system ("Marco Polo II") (First reading)**
- **Presidency briefing on the outcome of the informal trialogue**

The Committee took note of the outcome of the informal trialogue and invited the Presidency to pursue the informal contacts with the European Parliament.

- 20. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EEC) No 95/93 on common rules for the allocation of slots at Community airports (First reading)**
- **Examination of outstanding issues**
 - **Preparation for the informal trialogue**
7500/09 AVIATION 41 CODEC 349
8155/09 AVIATION 55 CODEC 451

The Committee had an in-depth examination of the outstanding issues as well as of the approach to be taken by the Presidency at the informal trialogue on the above proposal on 2 April.

21. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1927/2006 on establishing the European Globalisation Adjustment Fund (First reading)

- **Preparation for the informal trialogue**
7476/09 SOC 185 ECOFIN 191 FSTR 35 COMPET 144 CODEC 343

The Committee gives the Presidency a mandate to negotiate with the European Parliament on the basis of document 7476/09, with the exception of those parts of the text on which no compromise has yet been reached (the co-financing rate and the trigger).

22. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning trade in seal products (First reading)

- **Information from the Presidency**
- **(poss.) Preparation for the informal trialogue**

The Presidency reported on the outcome of informal contacts with the European Parliament and concluded that delegations will be informed about the date of the first trialogue.

23. Review of the EU regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services (Second reading)

- (a) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directives 2002/21/EC on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services, 2002/19/EC on access to, and interconnection, of electronic communications networks and associated facilities, and 2002/20/EC on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services**

- **Presidency briefing on the outcome of the informal trialogue**
- **Analysis of the compromise text with a view to agreement**
8226/09 TELECOM 63 MI 130 COMPET 173 CONSOM 63 CODEC 467

On 1st April, the Presidency gave a debriefing on the trilogue, held on 30 March.

The Committee examined the latest Presidency compromise proposals as set out in 8226/09.

- (b) **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2002/22/EC on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks, Directive 2002/58/EC concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector and Regulation (EC) No 2006/2004 on consumer protection cooperation**
- **Presidency briefing on the outcome of the informal trialogue**
 - **Preparation for the informal trialogue**
8228/09 TELECOM 64 MI 131 COMPET 174 DATAPROTECT 19
CONSOM 64 CODEC 468

To prepare for the next trilogue, the Committee examined the Presidency proposal in 8228/09.

- (c) **Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the Group of European Regulators in Telecoms**
- **Presidency briefing on the outcome of the informal trialogue**
 - **Analysis of the compromise text with a view to agreement**
8231/09 TELECOM 65 MI 132 COMPET 175 DATAPROTECT 20
CONSOM 65 CAB 13 CODEC 469

On 1st April, the Presidency gave a debriefing on the trilogue, held on 30 March.

The Committee examined the latest Presidency compromise proposals as set out in 8231/09.

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42. Preparation of the Council meeting (Justice and Home Affairs) on 6 April 2009

- a) **Proposal for a Council Framework Decision on prevention and settlement of conflicts of jurisdiction in criminal proceedings**
 - **Outstanding issues**
8013/09 COPEN 62

The Committee discussed the outstanding issues and decided to submit this file to the JHA Council on 6 April 2009. The results of the discussions in the Committee are set out in 8278/09 COPEN 67.

- b) **Proposal for a Council Directive on a single application procedure for a single permit for third-country nationals to reside and work in the territory of a Member State and on a common set of rights for third-country workers legally residing in a Member State**
8145/1/09 REV 1 MIGR 35 SOC 215

The Committee agreed that Ministers should be consulted on the overall compromise approach being put forward by the Presidency in 8145/1/09.

- c) **Draft Presidency conclusions from the Conference on the protection of vulnerable victims and their standing in criminal proceedings (Prague 17/18 March 2009)**
7855/1/09 REV 1 DROIPEN 14

The Committee took note of the above mentioned Presidency conclusions on the basis of the document 7855/1/09 REV 1 DROIPEN 14.

- d) **Authorisation of the Europol to enter into negotiations with the Russian Federation with a view to concluding an operational cooperation agreement**
8173/09 EUROPOL 22 JAIEX 20

The Committee discussed a possible authorisation to Europol to enter into negotiations with the Russian Federation with a view to concluding an operational cooperation agreement, allowing for the exchange of personal data (doc. 8173/09 EUROPOL 22 JAIEX 20). It was decided to submit this issue for further discussion to the Justice and Home Affairs Council on 6 April 2009.

e) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Presidency announced that :

- the JHA Council will last only one day;
- the appointment of the Director of Europol will be discussed during the lunch of Ministers of Interior;
- the Commission will introduce two framework decisions, one on combating the sexual exploitation of children, the other on combating trafficking in human beings, and a proposal of Regulation concerning Civil Law;
- former Slovenian Minister of Interior, Mr. Mate, Chair of the European Security Research and Innovation Forum will present the final report.

Concerning "Any other business" :

- the item "Readmission agreement with Morocco" will be removed from the agenda;
- information will be given by BE and EL about "US Extradition and Mutual Legal Assistance Agreements";
- on "the Financial crisis", a room document has been distributed outlining the aim of the Presidency ;
- on E-Justice-overview of EU Funds Available, information will be given by the Commission on the financing of the different projects;
- information will be provided by the Presidency and the Commission on the outcome of the visit of Mr. Langer and Mr. Barrot to Washington on 16/17 March 2009;
- information will be provided by IT on the G8 Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial Meeting (to be held in Rome on 28-30 May 2009) and by EL on the Third Global Forum on Migration and Development.

44. Presentation of the agenda of the Council meeting (General Affairs and External Relations) on 27/28 April 2009

Le Comité prend acte de la liste des points susceptibles de figurer aux ordres du jour provisoires des sessions du Conseil susvisées.

45. Debriefing on the Gymnich meeting (27/28 March 2009)

The Committee received a debriefing by the Presidency on the discussion of the Gymnich meeting, covering the Middle East Peace Process, Belarus, Civilian Capabilities and Afghanistan.

46. Informal meeting of EU Heads of State and Government with President Obama (Prague, 5 April 2009)

The Committee received an update on the preparation of the Informal meeting of the European Union Heads of State or Government with the President of the United States of America.

47. Relations with the Gulf States/GCC

- **Preparation of the 19th EU-GCC Joint Council and Ministerial meeting (Muscat, 29 April 2009) : Draft EU-GCC Joint Communiqué**
8128/09 GOLFE 1 COMEM 62 PESC 417

The Committee examined the one outstanding paragraph in point 3.1, "Developments in the Middle East" in the EU position for the draft joint EU-GCC Declaration for the 19th EU-GCC Joint Council and Ministerial meeting, c.f. doc. 8128/09 GOLFE 1 COMEM 62 PESC 417. One delegation was not able to agree to the text, and the Committee would hence come back to the matter at its meeting of 7 April.

48. Tobacco Directive
8113/09 FISC 37

A l'issue de la discussion, la Présidence a conclu que le Comité reviendra sur ce point lors de sa réunion du 29 avril 2009.

- **Any other business**

- = **Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2006/116/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the term of protection of copyright and related rights (First reading) (requested by the Presidency)**

The Presidency informs on the state of play and indicates that the Intellectual Property Attachés examine this file at their meeting on 3 April.

- = **Job Summit in May (requested by the Presidency)**

The Presidency gives some indications on the preparation of the Employment Summit to be held on 7 May 2009.

- = The Committee also took note of the following items:

- PL raised the issue of the mandate of the Joint Working Group which will deal with financial aspects of Copenhagen and insisted that this Group take into account all aspects outlined in paragraph 28 of the December 2008 European Council Conclusions.
- RO informed the Committee that as of 26 March the Moldovan authorities had denied access to the Republic of Moldova of approximately 290 Romanian citizens.
- FR raised the issue of the recent accident of a vessel carrying illegal immigrants from Libya and asked the Commission to provide information on the state of play of cooperation with Libya on migration issues.

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