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Subject : MONTHLY SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTS
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This document contains:

- in **Annex I**, a summary of definitive legislative acts adopted by the Council in April 2000. It is accompanied by statements in the minutes which the Council decided to make public (**Annex II**). The summary also mentions any votes against and abstentions, as well as explanations of voting.

It should be noted that only the minutes concerning the definitive adoption of legislative acts are authentic. Extracts from the minutes in question, and the information contained in Annexes I and II hereto, are available to the public on the Internet at the "Eudor" website (<http://www.eudor.com>; see "Transparency of the Council's legislative activities").

- in **Annex III**, a list of the other acts¹ adopted by the Council in April 2000, with a reference, where appropriate, to voting results, explanations of voting and statements which the Council has decided to make public.

¹ With the exception of other acts of limited scope such as procedural decisions, appointments, decisions of bodies set up by international agreements, specific budgetary decisions, etc.

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DEFINITIVE LEGISLATIVE ACTS	TEXTS ADOPTED	STATEMENTS	VOTES AND EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE
2254th General Affairs Council on 10 April 2000	6726/00		
Council Decision authorising the Federal Republic of Germany to apply a reduced rate of excise duty to certain mineral oils, when used for specific purposes, in accordance with the procedure provided for in Article 8(4) of Directive 92/81/EEC			
Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the "Youth" Community action programme	PE-CONS 3609/00 + REV 1 (sv)	25/00	NL against
Legislative acts adopted following the European Parliament's second reading under the co-decision procedure			
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 77/780/EEC on the coordination of laws, regulations and administrative provisions relating to the taking up and pursuit of the business of credit institutions (11.04.2000)	Ref. doc. 7831/00		

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DEFINITIVE LEGISLATIVE ACTS	TEXTS ADOPTED	STATEMENTS	VOTES AND EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE
Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the application of aerial-survey and remote-sensing techniques to the agricultural statistics for 1999-2003 (13.04.2000)	Ref. doc. 7911/00		
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on action to be taken against the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants by engines intended to power agricultural or forestry tractors and amending Council Directive 74/150/EEC (13.04.2000)	Ref. doc. 7913/00		
2255th Council (Consumers Affairs) on 13 April 2000			
Directive on the roadside inspection of the roadworthiness of commercial vehicles circulating in the Community * Approval by the Council of the European Parliament's second-reading amendments	Ref. docs 6996/00 PE-CONS 3617/00		
Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 505/96 opening and providing for the administration of autonomous Community tariff quotas for certain agricultural and industrial products	7294/00 + COR 1 (sv)		

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2256th Council (Agriculture) on 17 April 2000				
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 64/432/EEC on animal health problems affecting intra-Community trade in bovine animals and swine	PE-CONS 3607/00 + COR 1			
Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1577/96 introducing a specific measure in respect of certain grain legumes	5175/00 REV 1			
Council Regulation supplementing the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1107/96 on the registration of geographical indications and designations of origin under the procedure laid down in Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 2081/92	7628/00			B,DK,UK abstentions
Council Regulation on information measures relating to the common agricultural policy	7629/00 + COR 1 + COR 2 (fi)			DK against

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DEFINITIVE LEGISLATIVE ACTS	TEXTS ADOPTED	STATEMENTS	VOTES AND EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE
Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1626/94 laying down certain technical measures for the conservation of fishery resources in the Mediterranean and Regulation (EC) No 850/98 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms	7006/00 + COR 1		

STATEMENT 25/00**Statement by the Danish delegation concerning Amendment 6 – Article 4(3a)(new)**

"In the view of the Danish delegation, this provision means that, in conformity with existing Community law, social benefits cannot be paid to beneficiaries of the programme residing outside Danish territory, except where provided by Danish law. Where beneficiaries reside in Denmark, they are automatically entitled, if they otherwise fulfil the conditions for receiving the various payments, to the benefits laid down by the law on an active social policy and the law on social services."

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OTHER ACTS	Votes made public
Written procedure completed on 6 April 2000 Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1294/1999 concerning a freeze of funds and a ban on investment in relation to the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (FRY) 7386/00 COR 1 + COR 2 (fr,de,it,en,el,es,pt,sv) + COR 3 (es), + REV 1 (fi) 2254th Council (General Affairs) on 10 April 2000 Council Regulation regarding the implementation of measures to intensify the EC-Turkey customs union 6906/00 Council Regulation concerning the export of certain ECSC steel products from Bulgaria to the Community for the period 1 January to 31 December 2000 (extension of the double-checking system) 7175/00 Council Regulation (EC) extending the definitive anti-dumping duty imposed by Regulation (EC) No 584/96 on imports of certain tube and pipe fittings, of iron or steel, originating in the People's Republic of China to imports of certain tube and pipe fittings, of iron or steel, consigned from Taiwan, whether declared as originating in Taiwan or not, and terminating the investigation in respect of imports from three Taiwanese exporters 7195/00 Common Position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council relating to limit values for benzene and carbon monoxide in ambient air 5860/00 + COR 1 (f) + COR 2 + COR 3 (fi)	

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2255th Council (Consumer Affairs) on 13 April 2000 Common Position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 92/23/EEC relating to tyres for motor vehicles and their trailers and to their fitting 5347/00 + COR 1 (nl) + COR 2 (fr,de,it,nl,en,dk,gr,pt,fi,sv) + COR 2 REV 1 (de) + REV 1 (es) Council Common Position relating to the 2000 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons 7396/00 + REV 1 (fi) Joint Action on a European Union assistance programme to support the Palestinian Authority in its efforts to counter terrorist activities emanating from the territories under its control 7469/00 + COR 1 (fi) 2256th Council (Agriculture) on 17 April 2000 Decision of the Council and the Commission on the conclusion of a Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the State of Israel, of the other part (published on 19.04.00) 7579/00, 10373/95 + COR 1 (en,gr,sv) + COR 2 (de,dk) + COR 3 (it,es,pt) + COR 4 (fi) + COR 5 (de) Written procedure completed 26 April 2000 Council Common Position extending and amending Common Position 96/635/CFSP on Burma/Myanmar 7743/00 + COR 1 (fin)	