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**SUMMARY RECORD**  
PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE  
12, 14, 18, 19 and 20 May 2025

**I. Adoption of the agenda**

8529/24 OJ CRP1 17  
8717/1/25 REV 1 + REV1 ADD 1 REV 1 + REV 1 ADD 2 + REV 1 ADD 3 OJ  
CRP2 18 COMIX 135

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**

**MONDAY 12 MAY 2025**

**COREPER (PART 2)**

**General Affairs**

2. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 27 May 2025:  
Preparation

- a) Values of the Union in Hungary/Article 7(1) TEU 8266/25  
reasoned proposal  
*Hearing*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Annual rule of law dialogue: country-specific discussion 5092/25  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and of the request by Spain for a discussion item on the adoption of a Regulation amending Regulation 1 determining the languages to be used by the European Economic Community.

### **Foreign Affairs**

3. Russian aggression against Ukraine




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| a) | Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine   | 8329/25<br>8326/25<br>8328/25 + 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 | 8633/25<br>8322/25<br>8320/25         |

*Preparation for the adoption*

The Committee held an exchange of views and agreed to submit the acts to the Council as an "A" item for adoption.

### **Justice and Home Affairs**

4. Regulation on measures against transport operators that facilitate irregular migration  8253/25  
*State of play and guidance for further work*

The Committee took note of the state of play and provided guidance for further work.

Any other business

**COREPER (PART 1)**

**Transport, Telecommunications and Energy**


50. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 5 and 6 June 2025: agenda

The Committee took note of the main items to be included in the provisional agenda, as presented by the Presidency, agreed to the presence of an external guest for the AOB on air traffic congestion (Director-General of Eurocontrol) and decided to take it in public session. The Committee also decided to take the Telecommunications nonlegislative items (Council Recommendation for an EU Blueprint on cyber crisis management and Conclusions on reliable and resilient connectivity) as well as all the AOBs (except the presentation of incoming Presidency's priorities) in public session.

The Committee also took note of the AOBs requested by AT, FR, LT, SI and SK and decided to take them in public session: AT supported by NL (transport) on "Presentation of the fifth Progress Report on the Platform on International Rail Passenger Transport (IRP); LT, supported by LV, (for both transport and telecommunications segments), on "Call for common actions in response to Global Satellite Navigation Systems (GNSS) jamming and spoofing threats"; SK (telecommunications) on "Global Partnership on AI Summit (Bratislava, 25-26 November 2025)"; SI (telecommunications) on "Report of the Digital Ministers of the Mediterranean EU countries meeting – MED9" and FR (telecommunications) on "AI and the AI action Summit of Paris" and on "Protecting children online".

**Transport**

51. Regulation on the European Maritime Safety Agency and  
repealing Regulation (EC) No 1406/2002  
*Preparation for the trilogue*

 8590/25

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue on 20 May 2025.

## **Competitiveness**

52. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 22 and 23 May 2025: preparation

The Committee approved the attendance of a representative of ASML (supplier to semiconductor companies) for the ministerial lunch on 22/05 on “Removing administrative barriers based on SMET project on posting of workers in the framework of cross-border service provision” and of the President of the European Research Council for the lunch on 23/05 on “Choose Europe for science: how to attract excellent international talent to Europe, while safeguarding research security and ensuring that the common EU initiative strengthens R&I ecosystems across the continent”.

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| 1. | Boosting competitiveness - making EU policies better tailored for traditionally strong industries<br><i>Policy debate</i> | 8647/25 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

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| 2. | Council as a red tape filter – how to achieve business-friendly regulations during the legislative process from its very beginning<br><i>Policy debate</i> | 8649/25 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

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| 3. | Single Market Strategy<br><i>Presentation by the Commission</i> | 8654/25 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

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| 4. | Public procurement – strategic goals and way forward<br><i>Policy debate</i> | 8638/25 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

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| 5. | Council Recommendation on the European Research Area Policy Agenda 2025-2027<br><i>Political agreement</i> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 8469/25 + ADD 1 |
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The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Statements by Bulgaria and Hungary are set out in document 8469/25 ADD 1.


## **Internal Market and Industry**

53. Regulation on a public interface connected to the Internal Market Information System for the declaration of posting of workers and amending Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012  8707/25

*Mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament*


The Committee did not agree on a mandate for negotiations with the European Parliament. The file will be submitted to the COMPET Council on 22 May 2025 with a view to reaching agreement on a general approach.

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

54. Directive on alternative dispute resolution for consumer disputes (ADR)  8574/25

*Preparation for the trilogue*


The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue on 19 May 2025.

55. Regulation on compulsory licensing for crisis management and amending Regulation (EC) 816/2006  8582/25

*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue on 21 May 2025.

## **Environment**

56. Directive on priority substances in the field of water policy  8586/1/25 REV 1

*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee agreed on a revised mandate for the forthcoming trilogue on 20 May 2025.

## **COREPER (PART 2)**

### **General Affairs**

5. EU-UK summit (19 May 2025)  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission, the cabinet of the President of the European Council, and the EEAS, and held an exchange of view.

6. Security and Defence Partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland 8709/25  
*Preparation for the approval of an NBI*

The Committee started to prepare the approval of the above-mentioned non-binding instrument and agreed to revert to the item at its next meeting.

### **Foreign Affairs**

7. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 20 May 2025:  
Preparation

- a) Current affairs  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) EU support to Ukraine  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- c) Defence readiness  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- d) Russian aggression against Ukraine  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- e) Situation in the Middle East, including Syria  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- f) Other items in connection with the Council meeting

The Committee took note of the information provided by the EEAS and of the request from Czechia for an ‘Any other business’ item on Radio Free Europe.  
The Committee also agreed to invite the Presidents of the EIB and the EBRD to the meeting of the Foreign Affairs (Development) Council on 26 May 2025.

8. Council Regulation establishing the Security Action for Europe (SAFE) [C] 7593/4/25 REV 4  
*Exchange of views*

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

### **Economic and Financial Affairs**

9. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on 13 May 2025: Follow-up

The abovementioned item was withdrawn.

10. Decision on providing macro-financial assistance to Egypt [1][C]  
*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue on 19 May 2025.


### **Justice and Home Affairs**

11. Regulation on a progressive start of operations of the Entry/Exit System [1][C]  
*Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue*

The Committee took note of the Presidency debriefing on the outcome of the trilogue on 12 May.

12. Regulation on a progressive start of operations of the Entry/Exit System [1][C]  
*Preparation for the trilogue*

The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue on 19 May.

13. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1806 as regards the revision of the mechanism to suspend the visa exemption  
*Preparation for the trilogue* 

The Committee prepared the forthcoming trilogue on 20 May.


## **SUNDAY 18 MAY 2025**

### **COREPER (PART 2)**

#### **General Affairs**

5. EU-UK summit (19 May 2025)  9039/25  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission, the cabinet of the President of the European Council, and the EEAS, and held an exchange of views.

6. Security and Defence Partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland  8991/25  
*Preparation for the approval of an NBI*  
*Decision to use the written procedure*

The Committee continued to prepare the approval of the above-mentioned non-binding instrument and agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

#### **Foreign Affairs**

8. Council Regulation establishing the Security Action for Europe (SAFE)  7593/5/25 REV 5  
*Exchange of views*

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

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

73. EU-US trade relations    
*Exchange of views*

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission and held an exchange of views.





**General Affairs**

5. EU-UK summit (19 May 2025)  9039/25 + COR 1  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission and the EEAS and held an exchange of views. It confirmed its agreement on a statement to be submitted to the Council at the moment of the adoption of the Article 218(9) TFEU decision that extends the fisheries chapter beyond June 2026 as well as of the Council decision concluding the SPS agreement with the United Kingdom, as set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

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

6. Security and Defence Partnership between the European Union and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland   8991/25  
*Preparation for the approval of an NBI*  
*Decision to use the written procedure*

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and decided to use the written procedure for its approval.

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

**Foreign Affairs**

7. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 20 May 2025:  
Preparation

- e) Situation in the Middle East, including Syria  
*Exchange of views*

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

72. Council statement on the lifting of EU economic sanctions against Syria 9057/25  
*Preparation for the approval*

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

8. Council Regulation establishing the Security Action for Europe (SAFE)  7593/5/25 REV 5  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee held an exchange of views, confirmed its agreement on the text and agreed to revert to it on 21 May as a I/A item for adoption.

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

**TUESDAY 20 MAY 2025**

**Foreign Affairs**

7. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs) on 20 May 2025:  
Preparation

- e) Situation in the Middle East, including Syria  
*Exchange of views*

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

72. Council statement on the lifting of EU economic sanctions  
against Syria  
*Preparation for the approval*

9057/1/25 REV 1

The Committee confirmed its agreement on the text and agreed to submit it to the Council (Foreign Affairs) for approval under the discussion item on ‘Situation in the Middle East, including Syria’. The provisional agenda of the Council was amended accordingly.

A statement by the Netherlands supported by Greece is set out in the ADD 1 to this document.

**IV. Any other business**

**COREPER (PART 1)**

None.

**COREPER (PART 2)**

**MONDAY 19 MAY 2025**

EU-US trade relations

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

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**Non-discussion items "I"**

**WEDNESDAY 14 MAY 2025**

**COREPER (PART 1)**

**Institutional Affairs**

**Written questions**

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| 57. | Replies to questions for written answer submitted to the Council by Members of the European Parliament<br><i>Adoption by silence procedure</i>  |  8652/25<br>PE-QE                     |
| a)  | Matthieu Valet (Pfe)<br>"UK rape scandal involving Pakistani grooming gangs"  | 7596/25  |
| b)  | Jean-Marc Germain (S&D), Sandra Gómez López (S&D)<br>"Position of the Council of the EU on new own resources"   | 7810/25  |
| c)  | Fabio De Masi (NI)<br>"Attacks on the Nord Stream gas pipelines"  | 7820/25  |
| d)  | Gerben-Jan Gerbrandy (Renew)<br>"Russian shadow fleet and the environmental risk for our European waters and coastal communities – need for more action against the shadow fleet in the 16th sanctions package" | 8567/25  |
| e)  | Jorge Martín Frías (Pfe)<br>"Including Mexican drug cartels on the EU list of terrorist organisations"  | 7811/25  |
| f)  | Joanna Scheuring-Wielgus (S&D)<br>"Withdrawal of the horizontal equal treatment directive from the Commission's work programme owing to a lack of support in the Council"                                       | 7815/25  |
| 58. | Minutes of Council meetings<br><i>Approval</i><br><br>ENVIRONMENT 27.03.2025  |  PV CONS<br><br><br>7548/25 + ADD 1 |

## **Appointments**

59. One member (DK) of the Management Board of the European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training  
*Adoption* 8603/25  
8601/25  
SOC

## **Other**

60. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the European Research Area and Innovation Committee (ERAC) on 12-13 June 2025  
*Approval* 8480/25  
RECH
61. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Genetic Resources and Innovation in Agriculture (Seeds, Propagating and Planting Materials) on 27 and 28 May 2025  
*Approval* 8506/25  
AGRI

## **Research**

62. Council Decision on the adoption of the 2024-2027 high flux reactor supplementary research programme  
*Adoption* ☒ 8501/25  
8522/25  
RECH
63. Council Decision concerning the renewal of the scientific and technological cooperation Agreement with India  
*Agreement in principle* ☒ 8583/25  
8080/25  
RECH  
*Request for the consent of the European Parliament*

## **Telecommunications**

64. Draft lines to take to guide the EU and its Member States in the preparatory process of the World Summit on the Information Society+20 review ("WSIS+20")  
*Approval* 8405/25  
TELECOM

## **Health**

65. Global Coalition for Local and Regional Production, Innovation  
and Equitable Access  
*Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument*

8554/25 + ADD 1  
SAN


A statement by Bulgaria as well as a joint statement by  
Lithuania, Czechia, Estonia and Latvia are set out in document  
8554/25 ADD 1  
Bulgaria clarified that this statement aims at indicating that on  
its side, the Republic of Bulgaria does not intend to join the  
Global Coalition as far as it is concerned.

## **COREPER (PART 2)**

### **Judicial Affairs**


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| 17. Case C-263/25 P, appeal against the judgment in case T-1106/23, restrictive measures (Ukraine)<br><i>Information note</i> | 8674/25<br>JUR |
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### **Institutional Affairs**

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| 18. <b>Minutes of Council meetings</b><br><i>Approval</i>  |  |
| a) GAC Cohesion 28.3.2025  | 7651/25 + ADD 1   |
| b) FAC Trade 7.4.2025  | 7849/25 + ADD 1   |
| <b>Other</b>   |   |
| 19. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Terrorism (TWP) on 14 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8546/25<br>CT   |
| 20. Attendance of a third party at the Ad hoc Working Party on preparedness, response capability and resilience to future crises (AHWP Resilience) on 14 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i> | 8642/25<br>IPCR   |
| 21. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Eastern Europe and Central Asia (COEST) on 15 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8650/25<br>COEST  |
| 22. Attendance of a third party at the Working Party on Enlargement and Countries Negotiating Accession to the EU (COELA) on 16 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>                          | 8644/25<br>ELARG  |
| 23. Attendance of third parties at the Headline Goal Task Force (HTF) subgroup of the European Union Military Committee (EUMC) on 20 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>                     | 8640/25<br>EUMC   |
| 24. Attendance of third parties at the Horizontal Working Party on Enhancing Resilience and Countering Hybrid Threats (HWP ERCHT) on 20 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>                  | 8657/25<br>HYBRID<br>DISINFO  |

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| 25. | Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on Own Resources (WPOR) on 22 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8611/25<br>RESPR      |
| 26. | Attendance of third parties at the Working Party on Consular Affairs (COCON) on 5 and 6 June 2025<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8600/25<br>COCON      |
| 66. | Attendance of third party at the subgroup on horizontal questions of the Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors (RELEX) on 21 May 2025<br><i>Approval</i> | 8815/25<br>CULT HERIT |

### **Economic and Financial Affairs**

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| 27. | New Finnish commemorative coin<br><i>Information note</i>   | 7977/25<br>UEM   |
| 28. | New Croatian commemorative coin<br><i>Information note</i>  | 8422/25<br>UEM   |
| 29. | ECA SR 11/2025 on transparency of EU funding granted to NGOs<br><i>Designation of a Working Party</i><br><i>Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the working party meeting</i> |  7857/25<br>FIN |
| 30. | Council Decision approving the external auditors of Lietuvos bankas<br><i>Adoption</i>  | 8096/25<br>8097/25<br>UEM  |
| 31. | Council Decision approving the external auditors of Latvijas Banka<br><i>Adoption</i>   | 8098/25<br>8099/25<br>UEM  |
| 32. | Council Decision on the appointment of AMLA Executive Board members<br><i>Adoption</i>  | 7978/1/25 REV 1<br>7981/1/25 REV 1<br>EF   |

### **General Affairs**

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| 33. | Council Decision on appointing of two members of the Committee of independent eminent persons<br><i>Adoption</i> | 8020/25<br>8721/25<br>INST |
| 34. | EP Debates (May I 2025)<br><i>Information note</i>   | 8579/25<br>AG<br>PE        |

## **Foreign Affairs**

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| 36.  | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's destabilising activities<br><i>Adoption</i> | 8231/25<br>8228/25<br>8230/25<br>CORLX   |
| 37.  | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons<br><i>Adoption</i>                | 8219/25<br>8216/25<br>8218/25<br>CORLX   |
| 38.  | Council Decision on the participation of Switzerland in the PESCO project Cyber Ranges Federation<br><i>Adoption</i>   | 8170/25<br>8169/25<br>CORLX  |
| 39.  | Decision on the interpretation and application of the Energy Charter Treaty Agreement<br><i>Confirmation of the final compromise text with a view to agreement</i>   | <div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"> <b>1</b> <b>C</b> </div> 8639/1/25 REV 1<br>POLCOM |
| <p>Statements by the Commission and by Hungary as well as a joint statement by Austria, Czechia, France and Malta are set out in the ADD 1 to this document.</p> |  |  |
| 40.  | Council Decision appointing the European Union Special Representative for the Middle East Peace Process<br><i>Adoption</i>   | 8299/25<br>8298/25<br>CORLX  |
| 42.  | Memorandum of Understanding on critical infrastructure protection (Baltic Sea)<br><i>Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument</i>                              | 8660/25 + ADD 1<br>COEST   |
| <p>A statement by Hungary is set out in document 8660/25 ADD 1.</p>  |  |  |
| 43.  | Coordination with third countries regarding EU restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons<br><i>Approval</i>                         | 8612/25<br>CONOP   |
| 44.  | Coordination with third countries regarding EU restrictive measures in view of the situation in Russia<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8645/25<br>COEST   |
| 45.  | Coordination with third states regarding EU restrictive measures in view of the situation in Guatemala<br><i>Approval</i>  | 8653/25<br>COLAC   |
| 46.  | United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration   | 8613/25<br>7012/24<br>POLCOM   |



a) Council Decision on the conclusion  
*Adoption*

 7011/24

b) Reservation to be made at the time of the conclusion of the  
Convention  
*Approval*

47. Conclusions of the 60th meeting of the EEA Council (Brussels,  
21 May 2025) 8396/25 + ADD 1-4  
*Establishment of the EU position* + ADD 2 COR 1  
+ ADD 3 COR 1  
EEE

A statement by Austria and a joint statement by Austria, Ireland and Portugal are set out in documents 8396/25 ADD 3 + ADD 3 COR 1. A statement by Hungary is set out in document 8396/25 ADD 4.

48. Conclusions on Yemen 8687/25 + ADD 1  
*Approval* MOG

A statement by Hungary is set out in document 8687/25 ADD 1.

67. Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive  
measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation  
in Ukraine 8329/25  
8326/25  
8328/25 + ADD 1  
*Adoption* CORLX

68. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning  
restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or  
threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and  
independence of Ukraine 8633/25  
8322/25  
8320/25  
*Adoption* CORLX

69. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning  
restrictive measures in view of the situation in Russia 5947/25  
5945/25  
5946/25  
*Adoption* CORLX

70. Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive  
measures in view of Russia's destabilising activities 8427/25 + ADD 1  
8424/25  
8426/25 + ADD 1  
*Adoption* CORLX

A statement by Lithuania is set out in document 8427/25 ADD 1.

71. Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning  
restrictive measures in view of Russia's destabilising activities 5957/25  
5953/25  
5956/25  
*Adoption* CORLX

## **EU positions for international negotiations**

49. Council Decision on the position to be adopted on an amendment to Protocol 31 to the EEA Agreement on cooperation in specific fields outside the four freedoms (Social Security)  
*Adoption*

**C** 8452/25  
8258/25 + ADD 1  
AELE

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- I** First reading  
**S** Special legislative procedure  
**⌚** Silence procedure (Article 12(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)  
**📖** Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)  
**👤** Restricted item  
**C** Item based on a Commission proposal
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