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Subject: MONTHLY SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTS

APRIL 2002

#### This document contains:

in <u>Annex I</u>, a summary of definitive legislative acts adopted by the Council in April 2002. This is accompanied by statements in the minutes which the Council decided to make public (<u>Annex II</u>). The summary also mentions any votes against and abstentions, explanations of vote, and the voting rule applicable.

in <u>Annex III</u>, a list of the other acts <sup>1</sup> adopted by the Council in April 2002, with a reference, where appropriate, to voting results, explanations of vote and statements which the Council has decided to make public.

This document is also available via the Internet ("<a href="http://ue.eu.int"/">http://ue.eu.int</a>"), see "Transparency", "Summary of Council Acts".

It should be noted that only the minutes concerning the definitive adoption of legislative acts are authentic. Extracts from the minutes in question may also be obtained from the transparency service ("transparency@consilium.eu.int").

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With the exception of certain 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/EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE AND VOTING RULE
2422nd Council meeting (Agriculture) on 22 April 2002			
Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on undesirable substances in animal feed	PE-CONS 3610/02	49/02	P Abstention Qualified majority
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 685/2001 in order to provide for the distribution among Member States of authorisations received pursuant to the Agreement between the European Community and Romania establishing certain conditions for the carriage of goods by road and the promotion of combined transport	PE-CONS 3659/01		Qualified majority
2423rd Council meeting (Justice, Home Affaires and Civil Protection) on 25 April 2002			
Council Decision on the revision of the Common Manual	7678/02	50/02	Unanimity
Council Decision on the adaptation of Part III of, and the creation of an Annex 16 to, the Common Consular Instructions	15320/2/01 REV 2 + COR 1 (da,el,en,es,fi,fr,it,nl,sv) + COR 2 (de,pt) + COR 3 (fi)	51/02	Unanimity

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DEFINITIVE LEGISLATIVE ACTS	TEXTS ADOPTED	STATEMENTS	VOTES/EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE AND VOTING RULE
Council Regulation establishing a general Community framework of activities to facilitate the implementation of judicial cooperation in civil matters	5201/1/02 REV 1 + COR 1 (da) + COR 2 (da) + REV 2 (nl)		Unanimity
Council Decision concerning security in connection with football matches with an international dimension	8131/02		Unanimity
Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council extending and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 1659/98 on decentralised cooperation	PE-CONS 3619/02		Qualified majority

# STATEMENT 49/02

# **Council Statement**

"The Member States confirm that they shall do their utmost to ensure that the relevant measures needed to implement the Directive are adopted expeditiously within the time period laid down in Articles 14 and 15."

## **STATEMENT 50/02**

## **Statement by the Netherlands**

"The Netherlands can agree to the content of the draft Decision. The Netherlands would however call attention to the statements which it made on the adoption of the Regulation concerning the establishment of "Eurodac" for the comparison of fingerprints for the effective application of the Dublin Convention, on the adoption of the Regulation reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for carrying out border checks and surveillance and on the adoption of the Regulation reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for examining visa applications, to the effect that the fact of the Council's reserving to itself certain implementing powers may not constitute a precedent for future decisions taken under Part Three, Title IV, of the EC Treaty.

In doing so, the Netherlands would point out that it has joined the Commission in legal proceedings before the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Luxembourg which the Commission has instituted against the Council (Case C-257/01) with a view to the annulment of the abovenamed:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 789/2001 of 24 April 2001 reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for examining visa applications, and
- (2) Council Regulation (EC) No 790/2001 of 24 April 2001 reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for carrying out border checks and surveillance."

## **STATEMENT 51/02**

# **Statement by the Netherlands**

"The Netherlands can agree to the content of the draft Decision. The Netherlands would however call attention to the statements which it made on the adoption of the Regulation concerning the establishment of "Eurodac" for the comparison of fingerprints for the effective application of the Dublin Convention, on the adoption of the Regulation reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for carrying out border checks and surveillance and on the adoption of the Regulation reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for examining visa applications, to the effect that the fact of the Council's reserving to itself certain implementing powers may not constitute a precedent for future decisions taken under Part Three, Title IV, of the EC Treaty.

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- (2) Council Regulation (EC) No 790/2001 of 24 April 2001 reserving to the Council implementing powers with regard to certain detailed provisions and practical procedures for carrying out border checks and surveillance."

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OTHER ACTS	Votes made public	
2421st General Affairs Council meeting on 15 April 2002		
Common Position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No.577/98 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community 6241/02 + ADD 1		
Council Decision concerning the acceptance, on behalf of the European Community, of the Agreement establishing the terms of reference of the International Jute Study Group, 2001 7206/1/02 REV 1, 6357/02		
Council Regulation imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of ammonium nitrate originating in Russia 7068/02		
Common position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste statistics  Doc. 5762/02 + COR 1 (it) + ADD 1 + ADD 1 COR 1  + ADD 1 COR 2 (fr,it,nl,en,da,el,es,pt,fi,sv)		
Common position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 98/70/EC relating to the quality of petrol and diesel fuels 5117/02 + ADD 1 + ADD 1 COR 1 (de,en,it,nl,da,el,es,pt,fi,sv) + ADD 1 COR 2		
Council Recommendation on the appointment of the Vice-President of the Executive Board of the European Central Bank 7267/02		

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OTHER ACTS	Votes made public	
2422nd Council meeting (Agriculture) on 22 April 2002		
Council Decision on the signing, on behalf of the European Community, and provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters concerning the extension of the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Revolutionary People's Republic of Guinea on fishing off the Guinean coast for the period 1 January 2002 to 31 December 2002 6102/02		
Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters concerning the provisional application of the Protocol defining, for the period 18 January 2002 to 17 January 2005, the fishing possibilities and the financial contribution provided for by the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Seychelles on fishing off Seychelles 6573/02		
Council Decision authorising the Kingdom of Spain to extend until 7 March 2003 the Agreement on mutual fishery relations with the Republic of South Africa 6963/02		
Council Decision authorising the Portuguese Republic to extend until 9 April 2003 the Agreement on mutual fishery relations with the Republic of South Africa 6959/02		
Council Decision concerning the conclusion of an agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Union and the Republic of Lebanon concerning cooperation in the fight against terrorism 7494/02		
Council Regulation terminating the anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of peroxodisulphates originating in the People's Republic of China 7423/02		

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OTHER ACTS	Votes made public	
Council Regulation confirming the definitive anti-dumping duty imposed on imports of cotton-type bed linen originating in India by Regulation (EC) No 2398/97, as amended and suspended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1644/2001 7684/02		
Council Common Position extending Common Position 96/635/CFSP on Burma/Myanmar 7872/02		
Common position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 94/25/EC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to recreational craft		
15546/1/01 REV 1 + REV 1 ADD 1  2423rd Council meeting (Justice, Home Affairs and Civil Protection) on 25 avril 2002		
Council Decision on declassifying Part II of the Common Manual adopted by the Executive Committee established by the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement of 14 June 1985 7961/02		
Council Recommendation on the need to enhance cooperation and exchanges of information between the various operational units specialising in combating trafficking in precursors in the Member States of the European Union 7234/02		
Council Recommendation on improving investigation methods in the fight against organised crime linked to organised drug trafficking: simultaneous investigations into drug trafficking by criminal organisations and the finances/assets 7920/02		

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OTHER ACTS	Votes made public	
Common Position adopted by the Council with a view to the adoption of a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council providing for public participation in respect of the drawing up of certain plans and programmes relating to the environment and amending with regard to public participation and access to justice Council Directives 85/337/EEC and 96/61/EC 5475/02 + COR 1 (fi) + COR 2 (de) + ADD 1 + ADD 1 COR 1		
Council Decision concerning the approval, on behalf of the European Community, of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change and the joint fulfilment of commitments thereunder  Doc. 7510/02 + COR 1 (el) + COR 2 (fi) + COR 3 + COR 4 (de)  + COR 5 (de) + COR 6 (fi) + ADD 1 + ADD 1 COR 1 (sv)  + ADD 1 COR 2 (fi)		
Written procedure of 3 avril 2002		
<ul> <li>Public access to documents</li> <li>Follow-up to the judgment of the Court of First Instance of 7 February 2002 in Case T-211/00 (Kuijer v/Council)Accès du public aux documents</li> <li>6202/02</li> </ul>	Against EL, S	