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SUMMARY RECORD

PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE

8 May 2024

I. Adoption of the agenda

9672/24 OJ CRP1 16

9649/1/24 REV 1 OJ CRP2 16

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)

Education, Youth, Culture and Sport

2. Meeting of the Council (Education, Youth, Culture and Sport) on 13 and 14 May 2024: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOB requested by Germany on “The future of the European cultural policy”, and decided to hold it in public session.

Agriculture and Fisheries

3. Meeting of the Council (Agriculture and Fisheries) on 27 May 2024: agenda (For the items in the remit of the Permanent Representatives Committee)

The Committee took note of the Council provisional agenda.

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

4. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 21 May 2024: preparation

The Committee took note of the AOB requested by Denmark, together with Czech Republic and Poland on “Empowering citizens and businesses in the digital transformation through a streamlined and ambitious use of the EUDI Wallet”, and decided to hold it in public session.

1. Conclusions on the Future of EU Digital Policy 9484/24
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. Conclusions on the Future of Cybersecurity: implement 9252/24
and protect together
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

3. From rulebook to practice: a collaborative approach to 9487/24
coherent implementation
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Competitiveness

5. Meeting of the Council (Competitiveness (Internal Market, Industry, Research and Space)) on 23 and 24 May 2024: preparation

1. Regulation as regards a EuroHPC initiative for start-ups to  9331/24
boost European leadership in trustworthy artificial
intelligence
Political agreement

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

4. Conclusions on the ex-post evaluation of Horizon 2020 9329/24
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

2. Council Recommendation on enhancing research security  9327/24
Adoption 9097/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

3. Conclusions on knowledge valorisation 9330/24
Approval

The Committee started to prepare this item for the Council meeting and will revert to it at a forthcoming meeting.

5. Research and innovation for advanced materials 9333/24
Policy debate

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

6. Space law: safety, resilience and sustainability of the space activities in the EU 9370/24
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

7. European Space Policy – preparation of the Space Council 9344/24 + ADD 1

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

8. Conclusions on ‘Strengthening Europe’s competitiveness through space’ 9318/24
Approval

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

Transport, Telecommunications and Energy

6. Meeting of the Council (Transport, Telecommunications and Energy) on 30 May 2024: agenda

The Committee took note of the Council provisional agenda. The Committee decided to take the AOB on “the National Energy and Climate Plans”, requested by the Commission, in public session. The Committee also took note of an additional AOB, requested by the Commission, on “Winter preparedness”. The Committee approved the participation of external guests in the ministerial lunch.

COREPER (PART 2)

General Affairs

20. Meeting of the Council (General Affairs) on 21 May 2024: preparation

- a) Annual rule of law dialogue: country-specific discussion 5222/24 + ADD 1
Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

- b) Rule of law in Poland/Article 7(1) TEU (reasoned proposal)
State of play

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Commission and 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. Three any other business items were added: on EU-UK relations requested by the Commission, on the follow-up to the informal meeting of ministers of European affairs with regard to rule of law issues and on foreign interference in the run-up to the June 2024 European elections (FIMI) both by the Presidency.

22. Foreign interference in the run-up to the June 2024 European elections 9203/24
Exchange of views

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Presidency and the Commission and held an exchange of views. The Committee agreed to revert to this item at its meeting on 24 May 2024.

Foreign Affairs

23. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Development) on 7 May 2024: follow-up

The Committee took note of the main outcomes of the Council meeting.

24. Meeting of the Council (Foreign Affairs/Trade) on 30 May 2024: agenda

The Presidency presented the main items on the agenda.

25. Council Decision and Regulation concerning the extraordinary revenues stemming from immobilised Russian assets to support Ukraine
Preparation for adoption
-  9555/24
9582/24
9583/24
9584/24 + ADD 1
9646/24

The Committee reached agreement on the text and agreed to revert to this item at its meeting on 15 May 2024 (“T” item) before submission as an “A” item to the Council (General affairs) on 21 May 2024.

A statement by Belgium and a joint statement of the High Representative and the Commission are set out in ADD 1 to this document.

26. Russia’s aggression against Ukraine
Exchange of views



The Committee took note of the presentation by the Commission, held an exchange of views and agreed to revert to this item at its next meeting.

Economic and Financial Affairs

27. Meeting of the Council (Economic and Financial Affairs) on
14 May 2024: preparation

- a) Directive on Faster and Safer Relief of Excess
Withholding Taxes (FASTER)
Political agreement
-  9357/24
9356/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and agreed to change the aim to “General approach” with a view to reconsulting the European Parliament.

- b) VAT in the Digital Age package 9469/24
- i) Directive as regards VAT rules for the digital age  9403/24
- ii) Regulation as regards the VAT administrative
cooperation arrangements needed for the digital age  9402/24
- iii) Implementing Regulation as regards information
requirements for certain VAT schemes  9401/24
Political agreement

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting and agreed to change the aim of the first sub-item to “General approach” with a view to reconsulting the European Parliament.

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

c) Economic recovery in Europe

i) Implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility

State of play

ii) Council Implementing Decisions under the Recovery and Resilience Facility

Adoption

☐ 9303/24 + ADD 1
9399/24 + ADD 1

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

d) Economic and financial impact of Russia's aggression against Ukraine

Exchange of views

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

e) Conclusions on the fiscal sustainability challenges arising from ageing

Approval

9159/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

f) Follow-up to the meeting of G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors and the IMF annual meetings on 17–18 April 2024

Information from the Presidency and the Commission

9373/24

The Committee prepared this item for the Council meeting.

g) (poss.) Conclusions on financial literacy

Approval

9529/24

The Committee confirmed this agenda item and prepared it for the Council meeting.

h) 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 following guests: the EIB President at the breakfast and ECOFIN sessions, ESM director general and President of the Eurogroup at the breakfast session only, and Ukraine's vice-minister for the economy, as well as Ukraine's minister of finance by videoconference, for the item on the economic consequences of Russia's aggression against Ukraine.

IV. Any other business

COREPER (PART 1)

None.

COREPER (PART 2)

Visit of China's President to France

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

Situation in Georgia

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

Recent visit of the President of the Commission to Lebanon

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

Partial renewal of the Court of Justice

The Committee took note of the information provided by the Council legal service.

Non-discussion items "I"**COREPER (PART 1)****Institutional affairs**

7. **Minutes of Council meetings**  PV CONS
Approval
- Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs 7710/24
Council on 11 March 2024
- Other**
8. Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party 9490/24
on Consumer Protection and Information on 16 May 2024 CONSOM
Approval
9. Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party 9640/24
on International Environment Issues (Climate Change) on ENV
16 May 2024
Approval
10. Handling of impact assessments within the Council – Annual 9394/24
report covering the period January-December 2023 IA
Endorsement

Judicial affairs

11. Case T-138/24, plea of illegality (Digital Services Act) 9276/24
Information note JUR
12. Case T-75/24, plea of illegality, Regulation 1107/2009 (plant 9243/24
protection products) JUR
Information note

EU positions for international negotiations

13. Council Decision on the EU position in the OSPAR Convention  9295/24
with regard to amending the OSPAR Decision on the disposal of 9175/24
disused offshore installations ENV
Adoption

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

Agriculture

14. Regulation on the welfare of dogs and cats and their traceability  9480/24
Decision to consult an institution or body VETER

Environment

15. Regulation amending Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 on CO2  9388/2/24 **REV 2**
emission performance standards for heavy-duty vehicles + ADD 1 **REV 1**
Adoption of the legislative act PE-CONS 29/24
CLIMA

Statements by Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9388/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

16. Freshwater Challenge 9407/24
Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument ENV
17. 10th World Water Forum (Bali, Indonesia 9539/24 + **COR 1**
18-25 May 2024): Ministerial Declaration ‘Water for shared ENV
prosperity’
Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument

Internal Market and Industry

18. Memorandum of Understanding between the European Union 9477/24
and Australia on a strategic partnership on sustainable critical COMPET
and strategic minerals
Authorisation to sign a non-binding instrument

Delegated or Implementing Acts

Energy

19. Commission Delegated Directive (EU) .../... of 14.3.2024 9206/24
amending Annex IX to Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the 7869/24 + ADD 1
European Parliament and of the Council as regards adding ENER
feedstock for the production of biofuels and biogas
Delegated act – Intention not to raise objections

COREPER (PART 2)

Judicial affairs

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| 28. | Judgments in Cases T-682/21, ClientEarth v Council and T-683/21, Leino-Sandberg v Council (transparency)
<i>Information note</i> | 9398/24
JUR |
| 29. | Case C-551/21, action for annulment, Decision (EU) 2021/1117
<i>Information note</i> | 9620/24
JUR |

Institutional affairs

Appointments

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| 30. | Two members of the Committee of the Regions (LU)
<i>Adoption</i> | 9182/24
9181/24
CDR |
| 31. | A member of the Committee of the Regions (IE)
<i>Adoption</i> | 9238/24
9240/24
CDR |
| 32. | A member of the Committee of the Regions (DE)
<i>Adoption</i> | 8877/24
8876/24
CDR |
| 33. | An alternate member of the Committee of the Regions (EL)
<i>Adoption</i> | 9367/24
9362/24
CDR |

Other

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| 34. | Attendance of a third party at the meetings of the Working Party on Atomic Questions between 13 May and 30 June 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9436/24
ATO |
| 35. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on General Affairs on 14 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9630/24
INST |
| 36. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Transatlantic Relations on 14 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9351/24
COTRA |

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| 37. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on Financial Services and Banking Union on 15 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9247/24
EF |
| 38. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Human Rights on 15 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 8823/24
COHOM |
| 39. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on Humanitarian Aid and Food Aid on 15 and 16 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9532/1/24 REV 1
COHAFA |
| 40. | Attendance of a third party at the meeting of the Working Party on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development on 17 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9534/24
SUSTDEV |
| 41. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the JHA Counsellors/Support Group of the Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security (COSI) on 17 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9176/24
COSI |
| 42. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on External Aspects of Asylum and Migration on 17 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9131/24
MIGR |
| 43. | Attendance of third parties at the meeting of the Working Party on the Staff Regulations on 17 May 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9450/24
STAT |
| 44. | Attendance of a third party at the meetings of the Working Party on European Free Trade Association during the first half of 2024
<i>Approval</i> | 9119/24
AELE |

Transparency

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| 45. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 12/c/01/24
<i>Approval</i> | 8380/24
INF |
| 46. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 13/c/01/24
<i>Approval</i> | 8397/24
INF |
| 47. | Public access to documents
Confirmatory application No 14/c/01/24
<i>Approval</i> | 8462/24
INF |
| 48. | 22nd annual report on public access to documents
<i>Approval</i> | 9572/24
8297/24 + COR1
INF |

Economic and Financial Affairs

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| 49. | New Estonian commemorative coin
<i>Information note</i> | 9082/24
UEM |
| 50. | New Finnish commemorative coin
<i>Information note</i> | 8772/24
UEM |
| 51. | New Lithuanian commemorative coin
<i>Information note</i> | 9068/24
UEM |
| 52. | New Latvian commemorative coin
<i>Information note</i> | 8749/24
UEM |
| 53. | European Court of Auditors' special report No 06/2024 on EU assistance to refugees in Türkiye
<i>Designation of a Working Party</i>
<i>Attendance of the European Court of Auditors at the Working Party meeting</i> |  9387/24
FIN |

General Affairs

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| 54. | EP Resolutions and Decisions (April II 2024)
<i>Information note</i> | 9032/1/24 REV 1
PE-RE |
| 55. | Conclusions on democratic resilience: safeguarding electoral processes from foreign interference
<i>Approval</i> | 9581/24
HYBRID
DISINFO |

Justice and Home Affairs

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| 57. | US visa requirement for flight crew members
<i>Approval of a letter</i> | 9364/24
VISA |
| 58. | EU adherence to the OECD Council Recommendation of 12 July 2023 on access to justice and people-centred justice systems
<i>Approval</i> | 8527/24
9248/24
JAI
FREMP |
| 59. | Eurodac Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  9020/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 15/24
ASILE |

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9020/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

60. Asylum Procedure Regulation
Adoption of the legislative act  9024/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 16/24
ASILE

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Malta, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9024/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

61. Regulation establishing a return border procedure
Adoption of the legislative act  9025/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 17/24
JAI

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9025/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

62. Union Resettlement Framework Regulation
Adoption of the legislative act  9027/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 18/24
ASILE

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9027/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

63. Regulation on crisis situations in the field of migration and asylum
Adoption of the legislative act  9028/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 19/24
JAI

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Lithuania, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9028/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

64. Screening Regulation
Adoption of the legislative act  9029/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 20/24
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Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Slovakia and the Commission are set out in document 9029/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

65. Asylum and Migration Management Regulation
Adoption of the legislative act  9030/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 21/24
ASILE

Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Malta, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9030/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

66. Screening Regulation – consequential amendments
Adoption of the legislative act  9031/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 22/24
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Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9031/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

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| 67. | Reception Conditions Directive
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9021/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 69/23
ASILE |
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Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9021/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

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| 68. | Qualification Regulation
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 9022/24 + ADD 1
PE-CONS 70/23
ASILE |
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Statements by Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia are set out in document 9022/24 ADD 1 REV 1.

Foreign Affairs

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| 69. | Renewal of the Regulation on temporary trade liberalisation supplementing trade concessions under the EU–Ukraine Association Agreement
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 8965/1/24 REV 1
+ ADD 1-2
PE-CONS 59/24
POLCOM |
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Two statements by the Commission are set out in document 8965/24 ADD 1.
An unilateral statement by the Council is set out in document 8965/24 ADD 2.

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| 70. | Renewal of the Regulation on temporary trade liberalisation supplementing trade concessions under the EU–Moldova Association Agreement
<i>Adoption of the legislative act</i> |  | 8831/24
PE-CONS 60/24
+ COR 1
POLCOM |
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| 71. | Council Implementing Decision on the approval of the Ukraine Plan
<i>Adoption</i> |  | 9579/1/24 REV 1
9492/1/24 REV 1
+ ADD 1
RESUA |
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A statement by Hungary is set out in document 9579/1/24 REV 1 ADD 1.

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| 72. | EU–Moldova Association Council (Brussels, 21 May 2024)
<i>Establishment of the EU position</i> | | 9359/24
COEST |
| 73. | Conflict-related terminology: Georgia
<i>Approval</i> | | 9518/24 + COR 1-2
COEST |
| 74. | Council Decision on an assistance measure under the European Peace Facility to support the Georgian Defence Forces
<i>Adoption</i> | | 7415/24
7414/24
CORLX |
| 75. | Council Decision on the European Union Advisory Mission for Civilian Security Sector Reform Ukraine (EUAM Ukraine)
<i>Adoption</i> | | 8762/24
8761/24
CORLX |

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| 76. | Council Decision on a European Union Military Training Mission in Mozambique (EUTM Mozambique)
<i>Adoption</i> | 8866/24
8865/24
CORLX |
| 77. | Council Decision and Implementing Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela
<i>Adoption</i> | 7547/24
7543/24
7545/24
CORLX |
| 78. | Council Decision and Regulation concerning restrictive measures in view of Iran's military support of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine
<i>Adoption</i> | 9151/24
9148/24
9150/24
CORLX |
| 79. | PSC decision extending the mandate of the Head of Mission of EUAM Iraq
<i>Decision to publish in the Official Journal</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; width: 1em; height: 1em; border: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> 9491/24
8603/24
PSC DEC |
| 80. | Concept note for an EPF assistance measure to support the Beninese Armed Forces
<i>Approval</i> | 9305/24
COAFR |
| 81. | Appointment of the Executive Director of the EU-LAC International Foundation for the 2024–2028 period
<i>Establishment of the EU position</i> | 9467/24
COLAC |

EU positions for international negotiations

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| 82. | Specification of the EU position to be taken at the 2024 Annual Meetings of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) in relation to the United Kingdom
<i>Approval</i> | 9453/24
UK |
| 83. | Specification of the EU position to be taken in the Specialised Committee on Fisheries established under the EU–UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement
<i>Approval</i> | 9413/24 + COR 1
UK |
| 84. | Council Decision establishing the EU position to be taken in the EU–UK Joint Committee as regards geographical indications for craft and industrial products
<i>Adoption</i> | <div style="display: inline-block; width: 1em; height: 1em; border: 1px solid black; margin-bottom: 2px;"></div> 9416/24
8989/24 + ADD 1
UK |

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

85. Council Decision establishing the EU position to be taken in the EU–UK Joint Committee as regards organic pet food  9417/24
Adoption 8992/24 + ADD 1
UK

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

86. Council Decision establishing the EU position to be taken in the EU–UK Joint Committee as regards tariff quotas  8994/24
Adoption 8945/24 + ADD 1
UK

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

Other items

87. Approval of a cryptographic product 9424/24 **R-UE**
Approval CSCI
CSC
88. Withdrawal of the approval of a cryptographic product 9432/24
Approval CSCI
CSC
89. Withdrawal of the approval of a cryptographic product 9433/24
Approval CSCI
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-  First reading
-  Special legislative procedure
-  Procedural decision by Coreper (Article 19(3)&(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure)
-  Restricted item
-  Item based on a Commission proposal

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