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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for : 2229th MEETING OF THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE (Part 1)
date : Tuesday 20 (14:30) and Friday 23 (10:10) May 2008

MEETING ON TUESDAY 20 (14:30) MAY 2008

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

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2. Replies to written questions put to the Council by Members of the European Parliament (+)
 - (a) n° E-1278/08 put by Proinsias De Rossa
"West Papua"
8679/08 PE-QE 340
 - (b) n° E-1871/08 put by Robert Evans
"Cotonou Agreement and human rights in Jamaica"
8663/08 PE-QE 334

- (c) n° E-1885/08 put by Erika Mann
"Council action on Western Sahara"
8671/08 PE-QE 336
- (d) n° E-1909/08 put by Maria Badia i Cutchet
"Shortage of health workers"
8676/08 PE-QE 338
- (e) n° P-2044/08 put by Anneli Jäätteenmäki
"Selection of members of the Commission based on a system of strictly equal rotation"
8658/08 PE-QE 333
- (f) n° E-2059/08 put by Marco Cappato, Sophia in 't Veld
"Situation of LGBT people in Morocco"
8680/08 PE-QE 341
- (g) n° P-2069/08 put by Koenraad Dillen
"Sentencing of Chinese dissident Hu Jia"
8678/08 PE-QE 339
- (h) n° E-2146/08 put by Helga Trüpel
"Lobbyists in the administration"
8918/08 PE-QE 352
- (i) n° E-2213/08 put by Emilio Menéndez del Valle
"Growing violence in Sri Lanka"
8909/08 PE-QE 351
- (j) n° P-2267/08 put by Gianluca Susta
"Violation of the Charter of Fundamental Rights"
9015/08 PE-QE 361
- (k) n° E-2289/08 put by Emilio Menéndez del Valle
"Continuing brutality of the Myanmar regime - the siren songs must not be heard"
8926/08 PE-QE 355
- (l) n° E-2311/08 put by Marco Cappato
"VAT on cannabis sales in the Netherlands"
8931/08 PE-QE 356

3. Case-law of the Community courts in cases involving the Council (from 1 July to 31 December 2007)

- Information for the Permanent Representatives Committee
8376/08 JUR 163

4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on amending Directive 2006/66/EC of the European Parliament and the Council on batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators as regards Article 6(2) on placing batteries and accumulators on the market (LA)

- Optional consultation of the Committee of the Regions (°)
8576/08 ENV 239 ENT 78 CODEC 484
+ REV 1 (en,fr,de)
9157/08 ENV 272 ENT 98 CODEC 558

5. Draft Council conclusions on the Special Report No. 09/2007 by the European Court of Auditors concerning "Evaluating the EU Research and Technological Development (RTD) framework programmes - could the Commission's approach be improved?"
 - Adoption
 - 5136/08 FIN 4 RECH 5 ATO 5 COMPET 5
 - 9096/08 FIN 173 RECH 168 ATO 35 COMPET 176

6. Proposal for a Council Directive laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves (codified version) **(LA)**
 - Adoption of the Legislative Act
 - 8713/08 CODIF 43 AGRILEG 57
 - 9431/08 CODIF 71 AGRILEG 73

7. Proposal for a Council Regulation on the export of cultural goods (codified version) **(LA)**
 - Adoption of the Legislative Act
 - 8714/08 CODIF 44 UD 67 CULT 53
 - 9451/08 CODIF 72 UD 77 CULT 70

8. Proposal for a Council Directive on pure-bred breeding animals of the bovine species (codified version) **(LA)**
 - Adoption of the Legislative Act
 - 8716/08 CODIF 46 AGRILEG 58
 - 9453/08 CODIF 74 AGRILEG 74

9. Proposal for a Council Regulation on scrutiny by Member States of transactions forming part of the system of financing by the European Agricultural Guarantee Fund (codified version) **(LA)**
 - Adoption of the Legislative Act
 - 8718/08 CODIF 48 AGRIFIN 21 AGRIORG 39
 - 9455/08 CODIF 76 AGRIFIN 27 AGRIORG 47

10. Proposal for a Council Directive laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs (codified version) **(LA)**
 - Adoption of the Legislative Act
 - 8719/08 CODIF 49 AGRILEG 59
 - 9454/08 CODIF 75 AGRILEG 75

11. Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Council Regulation 1386/2007 laying down conservation and enforcement measures applicable in the Regulatory Area of the Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organisation **(LA)**
 - Adoption of a Legislative Act
 - 8903/08 PECHE 91
 - 8905/08 PECHE 92

12. Proposal for a Council Regulation on the conclusion of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on the amendments to the Protocol setting out, for the period from 18 January 2005 to 17 January 2011, the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for by the Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Seychelles
 - Adoption
 - 16664/07 PECHE 390
 - 9240/08 PECHE 97

13. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 96/22/EC concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyreostatic action and of beta agonists **(LA) (First reading)**
 - Approval of the final compromise text
 - 9216/08 AGRILEG 69 CODEC 564

14. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2002/59/EC establishing a Community vessel traffic monitoring and information system **(LA) (First reading)**
 - Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
 - 5719/08 MAR 11 ENV 34 CODEC 89
 - 7729/08 CODEC 391 MAR 47 ENV 174

 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
 - 5719/08 MAR 11 ENV 34 CODEC 89 ADD 1

15. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing the fundamental principles governing the investigation of accidents in the maritime transport sector and amending Directives 1999/35/EC and 2002/59/EC **(LA) (First reading)**
- Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
5721/08 MAR 12 ENV 35 CODEC 90
7730/08 CODEC 392 MAR 48 ENV 175
 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
5721/08 MAR 12 ENV 35 CODEC 90 ADD 1
16. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on port State control (recast) **(LA) (First reading)**
- Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
5722/08 MAR 13 ENV 36 CODEC 91
+ COR 1 (de)
7731/08 CODEC 393 MAR 49 ENV 176
 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
5722/08 MAR 13 ENV 36 CODEC 91 ADD 1
17. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the liability of carriers of passengers by sea in the event of accidents **(LA+S) (First reading)**
- Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
6389/08 MAR 24 ENV 87 CODEC 185
+ COR 1
+ REV 1 (fi)
8924/08 CODEC 533 MAR 61 ENV 253
+ ADD 1
 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
6389/08 MAR 24 ENV 87 CODEC 185 ADD 1

18. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules and standards for ship inspection and survey organisations and for the relevant activities of maritime administrations (Recast) **(LA+S) (First reading)**
- Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
5724/08 MAR 14 ENV 37 CODEC 92
8925/08 CODEC 534 MAR 62 ENV 254
+ ADD 1
 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
5724/08 MAR 14 ENV 37 CODEC 92 ADD 1
19. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on common rules and standards for ship inspection and survey organisations (Recast) **(LA) (First reading)**
- Adoption
 - (a) of the common position
5726/08 MAR 15 ENV 38 CODEC 93
8927/08 CODEC 535 MAR 63 ENV 255
 - (b) of the statement of the Council's reasons
5726/08 MAR 15 ENV 38 CODEC 93 ADD 1

II

20. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Transport, Telecommunications and Energy**) on 12 and 13 June 2008
1. **Setting** of the provisional **agenda**
21. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs**) on 9 and 10 June 2008
1. **Setting** of the provisional **agenda**
 2. Review of the implementation by the Member States and the EU institutions of the **Beijing Platform for Action**
 - (a) **Indicators in respect of the Girl Child**
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
9055/08 SOC 261
+ COR 1
+ ADD 1
 - (b) **Women in political decision-making**
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
9057/08 SOC 262
+ ADD 1
 3. **Elimination of gender stereotypes** in society
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
9058/08 SOC 263
+ COR 1 REV 1
 4. **Antimicrobial resistance**
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
[Public debate, pursuant to Article 8(3) CRP (proposed by the Presidency)]
9392/08 SAN 77 DENLEG 48 VETER 5
 5. Implementation of the **EU Health Strategy**
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
[Public debate, pursuant to Article 8(3) CRP (proposed by the Presidency)]
14689/07 SAN 193 (x)
9393/08 SAN 78

22. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on **environmental quality standards in the field of water policy** and amending Directives 82/176/EEC, 83/513/EEC, 84/156/EEC, 84/491/EEC, 86/280/EEC and 2000/60/EC (LA) (**Second reading**)
- (a) Presidency briefing on the outcome of the informal trilogue
23. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on **waste** and repealing certain Directives (LA) (**Second reading**)
- Preparation for the next informal trilogue meeting
 - 11406/4/07 ENV 368 CODEC 744 REV 4
 - 9331/08 ENV 287 CODEC 584
24. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Environment**) on 5 June 2008
1. Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Community with regard to proposals for amendments to the Schedule of the International Convention on the Regulation of **Whaling**
- Adoption
 - 16833/07 ENV 733 PECHE 399 (x)
 - 9358/08 ENV 289 PECHE 101

MEETING ON FRIDAY 23 (10:15) MAY 2008

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25. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (Transport, Telecommunications and **Energy**) on 6 June 2008

1. **Internal Energy Market Legislative Package**

9512/08 ENER 148 CODEC 608

- (a) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/54 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity (LA)
 - General approach
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
9355/08 ENER 139 CODEC 587
- (b) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 2003/55 concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas (LA)
 - General approach
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
9354/08 ENER 138 CODEC 586
- (c) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (LA)
 - General approach
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
5193/4/08 ENER 7 CODEC 22 REV 4
- (d) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1228/03 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity (LA)
 - General approach
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
6989/3/08 ENER 62 CODEC 268 REV 3

- (e) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EC) No 1775/05 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks (LA)
 - General approach
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
8098/08 ENER 98 ENV 198 TRANS 109 AGRI 92 CODEC 428

2. **International relations in the field of energy**

- (a) OPEC
- (b) Energy efficiency
- (c) Energy Community
- (d) Other initiatives
 - Information from the Presidency / Commission
9408/08 ENER 142 ENV 293 RELEX 309

26. **Preparation** for the Council meeting "**Competitiveness**" (Internal Market, Industry and Research) on 29 and 30 May 2008

- 1. Proposal for a Council Regulation setting up the **Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking** (LA)
 - Adoption
8244/08 RECH 117 ENER 102 (x)
9074/08 RECH 165 ENER 149
- 2. Commission Recommendation on the management of **intellectual property in knowledge transfer activities** and **Code of Practice for universities** and other public research organisations ("IP Charter Initiative")
 - Adoption of Council Resolution
8513/08 RECH 131 EDUC 112 COMPET 134 MI 124 PI 18 (x)
9073/08 RECH 164 EDUC 141 COMPET 171

21. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs**) on 9 and 10 June 2008 (**continued**)
- 6. Commission Recommendation on enhanced administrative cooperation in the context of the **posting of workers in the framework of the provision of services**
 - Adoption of Council conclusions
9081/08 SOC 281 COMPET 179
 - 7. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on **novel foods** and amending Regulation (EC) No xxx/xxxx (LA)
 - Progress report
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1) (c) CRP)
9278/08 DENLEG 47 CODEC 571
24. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Environment**) on 5 June 2008 (**continued**)
- 2. Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council setting emission performance standards for new passenger cars as part of the Community's integrated approach to **reduce CO₂ emissions from light-duty vehicles** (LA)
 - Progress report
(Public deliberation, pursuant to Article 8(1)(c) CRP)
5089/08 ENV 4 ENT 1 CODEC 8 (x)
9343/08 ENV 288 ENT 96 CODEC 585
22. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on **environmental quality standards in the field of water policy** and amending Directives 82/176/EEC, 83/513/EEC, 84/156/EEC, 84/491/EEC, 86/280/EEC and 2000/60/EC (LA) (**Second reading**)
- (b) Preparation of the next informal trilogue
11486/3/07 ENV 378 CODEC 757 REV 3
9488/08 ENV 298 CODEC 596

20. **Preparation** of the Council meeting (**Transport, Telecommunications** and Energy) on 12 and 13 June 2008 (**continued**)

2. **External relations**

- (a) Draft Decision by the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council, authorising the Commission to open negotiations with **Australia** on a comprehensive **air transport agreement**

- Adoption

11970/05 AVIATION 116 AUS 15

RESTREINT UE (x)

9004/08 AVIATION 104 AUS 7

- (b) Draft Decision by the Council and the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the European Union, meeting within the Council, authorising the Commission to open negotiations with **New Zealand** on a comprehensive **air transport agreement**

- Adoption

12201/05 AVIATION 123 NZ 2

RESTREINT UE (x)

9174/08 AVIATION 105 NZ 3

- Any other business

(1) These items will be considered by the Mertens Group on 20 May 2008.

(+) Item which may be adopted by silence procedure, in accordance with Article 12(2) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

(°) Item on which a procedural decision may be adopted by COREPER, in accordance with Article 19(7) of the Council's Rules of Procedure.

(LA + S) Legislative Act + Statement.

(x) Out of stock.