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#### **INFORMATION**

From:	Presidency
To:	Working Party of Foreign Relations Counsellors
Subject:	Draft annotated agenda for RELEX on 16 June

## Meeting of the Members of the Foreign Relations Counsellors Working Party (RELEX)

### Draft Annotated Agenda

Wednesday, 16 June 2021, 10:15 - 12:30 (Room: 50.7 JL)

#### 1. Belarus restrictive measures (new listing/humanitarian derogations) - legal acts 10:15

Following the 24-25 May European Council conclusions and subsequent discussion on COEST, RELEX will discuss one additional listing, as well as an amendment to the list of derogations providing for authorization of the release of frozen assets or making funds or economic resources available to listed persons or entities (“humanitarian exemption”).

Documents: 9742/21 (CD); 9744/21 (CiR); 9746/21 (CR).

Background: In its conclusions from 24-25 May, the European Council strongly condemned the forced landing of a Ryanair flight in Minsk, on 23 May 2021 endangering aviation safety, and the detention by Belarusian authorities of journalist Raman Pratasevich and Sofia Sapega. It called on the Council to adopt additional listings of persons and entities as soon as possible. Following previous discussions in COEST and RELEX, one further entity should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures. In order to avoid unintended consequences of this listing certain derogations to the asset freeze and prohibition to make funds or economic resources available to listed persons or entities will be added to the basic legal acts.

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Possible adoption: COREPER II on 21 June and adoption by the FAC on 21 June.

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