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to : Delegations

Subject : European Union action following the attacks in the United States

1. The Annex to this note contains an update of the "road map"¹ of all the measures and initiatives implemented under the action plan decided on following the events of 11 September 2001. It also takes account of the work done at Council meetings in various formations (JHA, ECOFIN, JHA/ECOFIN, Transport and General Affairs) in the week of the 15 to 19 October 2001, as well as the outcome of the informal European Council in Ghent.
2. The Presidency will make a point of keeping in close contact with the European Parliament in order to ensure optimum cooperation between the Council and the Parliament in their work on the rapid adoption of legislative measures, particularly in those areas where accelerated procedures are envisaged.

¹ Points on which changes have been made to 12800/1/01 REV 1 are indicated by shading.

"ROAD MAP" OF ALL THE MEASURES AND INITIATIVES TO BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER THE ACTION PLAN DECIDED ON BY THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL ON 21 SEPTEMBER 2001

	OBJECTIVE	MEANS/ INSTRUMENTS	DEADLINE	BODY RESPONSIBLE	PROGRESS ALREADY MADE	FORTHCOMING WORK
GENERAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL						
1.	Extend the anti-terrorist coalition and make it more effective	Political dialogue/Troika or SG/HR visits/use of multilateral fora/concerted ministerial visits	Ongoing	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Troika visit to several key countries from 24-28 September - Inclusion of the topic of terrorism in all political-dialogue meetings since 11 September 	Continuation of systematic and ongoing dialogue, at all levels, with partners NB: forthcoming: visits by the President of the European Council /SG/HR/Commission to the Middle East 56th UN General Assembly, Euro-Med Ministerial meeting,

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2.	Strengthen the partnership with the United States ¹	Various contacts at all levels	Ongoing	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministerial meeting on 20 September - Talks between President of the Council and President of the Commission in Washington on 28 September - Bilateral contacts between COPS/COTER and United States counterparts - Mission by Police/Justice/Europol/Eurojust/Commission officials to Washington on 18 October 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Continued dialogue at all levels - Preparation for meeting with Mr Powell during UNGA Ministerial week - Coordination of contacts by SLG (Senior Level Group) (next meeting: 24 October) - Exchange of views and follow-up to cooperation proposals submitted by the United States
3.	Strengthen the Union's relations with certain countries of Asia particularly concerned by the current situation:					
3a.	<u>Pakistan</u>	Strengthen relations, in particular by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community assistance - signing the third-generation Cooperation Agreement 	Ongoing (examination of progress at GAC on 29 October)	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission		

¹ See also points 49 to 56 and 66.

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3b.	<u>Iran</u>	Strengthen relations, in particular by consultations with a view to negotiation of a Trade and Cooperation Agreement	Ongoing (examination of progress at GAC on 29 October)	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission	Draft negotiating directives currently being finalised by the Commission	
3c.	<u>Countries of Central Asia</u>	Strengthen commitment and relations, substantial contribution to the Bichkek Conference (13/14 December), definition of the strengthening of cooperation	Ongoing (examination of progress at GAC on 29 October)	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission		Proposals to be submitted to GAC on 29 October
3d.	<u>India</u>	Definition of the strengthening of cooperation	Second EU-India Summit (23 November)	Presidency/SG/HR/Commission	—	Working out a common position at COASI
4.	Strengthen humanitarian aid in Afghanistan and adjacent countries	Making aid available directly and through the UNHCR and other specialised agencies	Depends on political and military developments	Commission/Member States/Development Council	Confirmation by GAC on 8 October of a cumulated allocation of EUR 316 million (to date)	<p>– Commission will in immediate future be submitting new measures to provide aid to refugees</p> <p>– Additional contributions depending on needs and developments</p>

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5.	EU support for a political and reconstruction process in Afghanistan	Various instruments	Depends on developments	Member States/Presidency/SG/HR/Commission	Initial exchange of views in GAC on 17 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - COASI will take account of this in discussions on the Commission communication on a new strategy for Asia - Examination by GAC, in due course, of the proposals by Member States/SG/HR and Commission - Contacts with UN
6.	UN: ensure follow-up to Resolution 1373 adopted by the UN Security Council	Various measures to be adopted (particularly as regards the freezing of assets)	End of the year (90 days from the date of adoption of the Resolution)	Member States/Commission GAC and other Councils		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Examination to be continued by the Working Party on External Relations, in close collaboration with other competent fora - Preparation of a common response (including contributions from the Member States)
6a.	Combat all forms of funding of terrorist activities	Proposal for a Regulation on specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities with a view to combating international terrorism (2/10/01)	Immediate	GAC	Examination of the Commission proposal by Coreper on 15 October Acceptance by the Parliament following the urgent procedure (4/10/01)	Examination by Working Party on External Relations continues

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7. UN: Follow-up to any decisions concerning the freezing of Taliban assets taken by the Sanctions Committee set up in UNSC Resolution 1267	Amendments by Commission to Council Regulation (EC) No 467/2001	Depends on decisions taken in New York	Presidency/Commission	Last amendments adopted on 19 October 2001	Depends on developments
8. UN: conclusion of a UN General Convention on International Terrorism	Negotiations with the UN partners with a view to reaching global agreement	Immediate	GAC/Member States	<p>– Coordinated position finalised by COTER on 26 September</p> <p>– Troika demarches currently under way to promote successful conclusion of the Convention</p>	<p>– Negotiation to be monitored by COTER in close collaboration with CATS</p> <p>– Ongoing coordination by the 15 at the UN Sixth Committee Working Party (15-26 October)</p>
9. UN: signing and ratification of the Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism		Ratification by all the Member States as soon as possible	Member States	All the Member States have signed the Convention 1 ratification	Monitoring of the progress of ratification by the COTER Working Party
10. UN: speeding up of the signing, ratification and rapid implementation of all relevant international Conventions (<i>NB. there are 12 sectoral Conventions</i>)	Political dialogue/demarches	Ratification by all the Member States as soon as possible	GAC/ SG/HR/ Member States	Troika demarches under way	<p>– Use of Ministerial meetings during the UNGA Ministerial week</p> <p>– Monitoring of the progress of ratification by the COTER Working Party</p>

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11.	Systematic evaluation of the Union's relations with third countries in the light of their possible support for terrorism	Reference framework	Immediate	GAC/Member States	Reports requested from the HOMs and Working Parties on the basis of the criteria adopted by GAC on 17 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drawing up and examination of a table on the basis of the contributions from the HOMs and Working Parties - Examination of possible measures to be taken
12.	Possible adjustment of EU policies on non-proliferation and disarmament	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Common Reflection - Contacts with the United States 	Immediate	GAC	Initial exchange of views by the CODUN and CONOP Working Parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further reflection in CONOP Working Party (12 November) on the basis of a working document to be drawn up by the Presidency - Various contacts with the United States planned
<p>JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS (JHA) COUNCIL <i>NB: This "road map" contains only actions and measures endorsed in principle by the European Council or the Council. Some Member States have suggested other initiatives which could be incorporated in the "road map" depending on how they are received. In this connection see document .../01.</i></p>						
LEGISLATIVE MEASURES						
13.	Make Eurojust operational	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Framework Decision - Decision on Headquarters 	6/7 December 2001 No later than end of year	Council/European Council	Political agreement on Articles 1 to 8 (JHA Council on 27 and 28 September)	
14.	European arrest warrant	Framework Decision	The details must be fixed no later than 6 and 7 December 2001	Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Following the JHA Council on 16/10, the General Affairs Council on 19/10 and the informal meeting in Ghent specified the objectives to be achieved - Letter from Presidency to Iceland Presidency of Mixed Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meetings of CATS on 22-23/11 - Consultation of the EP under way (urgent procedure)

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15.	Definition of terrorism	Framework Decision	The details must be fixed no later than 6 and 7 December 2001	Council	The JHA Council discussed a few questions of principle on 16/10.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultation of the EP under the urgent procedure - Discussions ongoing in CATS
16.	Freezing of assets	Framework Decision	The details must be fixed no later than 6 and 7 December 2001	Council	The JHA/ECOFIN Council held a debate on 16/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Speed up the work of the Working Party
17.	Entry into force of the two Extradition Conventions of 1995 and 1996	Ratification by Member States	1 January 2002	Member States	At CATS examination on 8/10/01: both Conventions should in principle be ratified by last five Member States (F/UK/IRL/I, and – in the case of the 1995 Convention – B) by the end of 2001	
18.	Entry into force of the Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters	Ratification by Member States	In the course of 2002	Member States	At CATS examination on 8/10/01: all Member States confirmed that they intended to meet the deadline set	
19.	Mutual assistance in respect of money laundering and financial crime	Protocol to the Convention on Mutual Assistance	As soon as the European Parliament's Opinion is received	Council	The Protocol was signed on 16 October 2001 (JHA Council)	To be ratified by the Member States
20.	Examination of legislation with reference to the "terrorist threat"	Commission report	By the end of 2002	Commission/Council/Parliament		The process is under way at the Commission for rules on asylum and immigration

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21. Setting up joint investigation teams <i>For operational implementation, see point 33</i>	Framework Decision	6 and 7 December 2001	Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agreement by Coreper on 3/10 - Urgent procedure initiated by the European Parliament 	Adoption by the JHA Council on 6 and 7 December
22. Prevention of crime involving the use of electronic communication systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Framework Decision concerning attacks on information systems - Framework Decision on the mutual recognition of pre-trial orders in investigations into computer crime 	As soon as possible after submission by the Commission	Commission/ Council		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proposal will be forwarded by Commission at beginning of November 2001 - Proposal will be forwarded by Commission at beginning of 2002.
23. Ensure a balance between data protection and police efficiency	Directive concerning the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications sector	Immediate	Commission/ Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Examination by the Working Party completed and file submitted to Coreper I - At European Parliament for first reading 	
24. Setting up a Community mechanism in the field of the coordination of civil-protection measures	Decision	Adoption by the Council on 23/10	Council		

¹ See also point 46.

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	OPERATIONAL MEASURES					
25.	Identification of suspected terrorists in Europe and of the organisations which support them in order to draw up a common list of terrorist organisations	Cooperation between services of Member States/Europol	Immediate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Council - Persons responsible for anti-terrorist units, intelligence and Europol 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meeting of heads of intelligence services before the end of October - The Working Party on Terrorism is meeting on 26/10 and 8/11 to examine the outcome of proceedings
26.	Systematic transmission to Europol of any piece of data relevant to terrorism	Cooperation Member States/Europol	Immediate	Member States	The President of the Council has sent a letter to his colleagues	Report from the Director of Europol to the Council on 6 and 7 December 2001
27.	Strengthening cooperation between the heads of anti-terrorist units	Meetings	As soon as possible and before 1 November	Presidency/Police Chiefs Task Force	The first meeting was held on 15/10/2001	
28.	Strengthening cooperation between anti-terrorist magistrates	Meetings	Immediate	Pro-Eurojust	A first meeting was held on 10 October 2001	

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29.	Better cooperation and exchanges of information between all intelligence services	Regular meetings of heads of intelligence services	First meeting before 1 November 2001		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A first meeting, chaired by the Head of the Department of State Security was held on 11 and 12/10/2001 - Instructions given by the President of the Council, by letter dated 10/10, to the heads of intelligence services to provide him with concrete proposals in the very near future 	
30.	Strengthening cooperation between police services, including Europol and intelligence services		Immediate	Presidency/CATS		Policy debate will be held by CATS
31.	Setting up of a team of anti-terrorist specialists within Europol		Urgent	Member States/Europol Management Board	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The President of the Council has sent a letter to his colleagues insisting on the presence of liaison officers from the intelligence services - By 15/10, most of the Member States will have sent specialists to Europol 	Team operational in November 2001 and report to Council in March 2002 on the progress made and the problems encountered
32.	Setting up of one or more joint investigation teams <i>see also point 21</i>		Immediate	Member States (police, magistrates/intelligence services)/Europol/Pro-Eurojust		

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33.	Better coordination between Europol/Pro-Eurojust and the Police Chiefs Task Force		Immediate	CATS	At CATS on 1-2/10 the Presidency undertook to convene a meeting of those responsible for the three bodies (29/10) to prepare the discussion by CATS on 12-13/11/2201	
34.	Speeding up the linking of the EJN to the VPN secure electronic network		Immediate	General Secretariat of the Council	Technical examination under way by GSC services	
35.	Updating of the list of Europol competences	Implementation of a common action	Immediate/ongoing	Europol/Council	Letter from the Presidency to the Director of Europol on 9/10	Europol report to the JHA Council on 6 and 7/12
36.	Possible extension of SIS access to other public services		Immediate	Council	First discussion by CATS on 8/10	Agreement by JHA Council on 6 and 7/12 on the new SIS II functionalities
37.	Peer assessment of national arrangements for combating terrorism ¹		Evaluation report before end 2002	Council/General Secretariat of the Council	Letter from General Secretariat of the Council to the Permanent Representatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Procedure to be launched at beginning of October - Call for candidates for the 2 national experts
38.	Inventory of national measures and early warning plans		Urgent	WP on Terrorism and Police Chiefs Task Force		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meetings of the WP on 26/10 and 8/11 - Meeting of Police Chiefs Task Force on 15/10

¹ See in this connection the letter sent on 26/9 to his colleagues by the Permanent Representative of Germany to the EU asking to be informed of the general political measures and plans adopted by each Member State for combating terrorism.

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39.	Send TE-SAT report to the European Parliament		December 2001	Council	Discussions in progress in WP on Terrorism	
40.	Intensify cooperation on and harmonisation of legislation on arms and explosives		Immediate	Commission/Council		Possible initiative to be taken by the Commission before March 2002
41.	Strengthening of external border checks		Urgent	Member States/Police Chiefs Task Force/Immigration Services	Operation HIGH IMPACT on 2 and 3 October 2001	Ask Chairman of Police Chiefs Task Force/Immigration Services to examine measures at earliest opportunity and to report to the Council on 6 and 7 December 2001

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42.	Coordinated recourse to Article 2(2) of Schengen Convention (re-establishment of border checks)		Immediate	Council		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Initiative to be included in the proposal to be made by the Commission on Art. 2(2) - Role of Working Party on Terrorism in determining terrorist threats of exceptional gravity - Police Chiefs Task Force will be responsible for making operational the decision to re-establish internal border checks
43.	Establish network for exchanging information on visas issued		Immediate	Commission		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Commission requested to submit proposals to Council before March 2002
44.	Improve input of alerts into SIS (Arts. 95, 96 and 99)		Immediate	Member States		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Include on agenda for next meeting of SIS WP - Report from GSC to Council on 6 and 7 December 2001

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45.	Internal security and compliance with international obligations regarding protection of fundamental rights	Report	Urgent	Council/Commission		Commission proposal to come
46.	Setting up a Community mechanism in the field of the coordination of civil-protection measures ¹	Decisions	1 January 2002	Commission	<p>At their meeting on 11 and 12/10, the DGs for Civil Protection adopted an action plan anticipating implementation of the Community mechanism</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - identification of NBC experts - setting up a Working Party of NBC Experts, available round the clock - closer cooperation and exchange of information between national and Community services 	<p>- The Commission intends to make part of the mechanism operational before it actually comes into force on 1.1.2002</p> <p>- the 13 candidate countries and the EEA countries will also take part in the mechanism</p>

¹ See also point 24.

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46 a.	<p>Increase cooperation in civil protection, particularly in matters of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - risk assessment - use of biological and chemical weapons in terrorist action - alert and intervention - storage of BC agents - research - detection - identification of infectious and toxic agents - prevention and treatment of BC attacks 	<p>Programme designed to improve cooperation between Member States</p> <p>Appointment of a European coordinator for civil protection action</p>	Urgent	Commission/Council/ Member States: Civil Protection Departments		<p>First meeting to identify elements of the programme will be convened shortly.</p> <p>The Commission will set up a panel of experts from the Member States to implement the programme.</p>
47.	<p>Increase security standards at airports and on board aircraft <i>(see point 62)</i></p>		Urgent	Council/Member States	Austrian delegation has submitted proposals	Add to agenda for next meeting of Police Chiefs Task Force and work closely with transport industry
48.	<p>Extension of machinery for automatic information exchange between the Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs)</p>		Urgent	Council	Operational meeting of heads of FIUs on 12/10	

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<p>COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF JHA WITH THE UNITED STATES <i>N.B.: A delegation made up of representatives of the Ministry of the Interior, (including the Department for State Security and the Aliens Department), the Ministry of Justice and the Police Services of the present and incoming Presidencies, the Commission, the Council General Secretariat, Europol and Pro-Eurojust travelled to Washington on 18 October 2001 to discuss arrangements for implementing the measures described below. All of these points were discussed during the trip to the United States.</i></p> <p><i>Practical steps have been taken (designation of contacts, attendance by US delegates at some meetings, concrete proposals for cooperation between departments, documents describing various aspects of the problems sent for examination, particularly as regards data protection). The road map will be updated on these points later on the basis of the report on the Washington meeting.</i></p>						
49.	Assessment of all aspects of terrorist threat	Meetings/contacts	Urgent	Europol/Council		Several contact points identified : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint COTER/WP on Terrorism Troikas twice every six months - Team of counter-terrorism specialists set up within Europol must work closely with its American counterparts
50.	Increased EU/US cooperation in relevant international fora	Meetings/contacts	Ongoing	Council/Member States		Monitoring by COTER and transatlantic dialogue bodies
51.	Pressure on countries where banking systems facilitate the generation and transfer of funds which could finance terrorism	Diplomatic contacts	Ongoing	Council/Member States		Monitoring of FATF discussions by ECOFIN and JHA Councils. Preparation of common EU positions in the FATF.

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52.	Share best practices in the fight against terrorism	Contacts	Immediate	Member States		Mandate to Police Chiefs Task Force
53.	Intensify cooperation between Europol and American law enforcement agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Informal cooperation - Agreement without exchange of data - Agreement with exchange of data 	<p>Immediate</p> <p>16 November 2001</p> <p>Before end of 2001</p>	<p>Europol/Council</p>	EU/US technical meeting in Brussels on 4 October 2001	Speed up work on data protection initiated by Presidency, in conjunction with US
54.	Intensify cooperation on mutual assistance in criminal matters	EU/US agreement based on Art. 38 TEU	Immediate	Presidency/Council	Exploratory discussions began in Brussels (24.9.01) and were to continue in Washington on 18 October 2001	Mandate to Presidency of JHA Council in November 2001
55.	Intensify cooperation between Pro-Eurojust/Eurojust and US magistrates specialising in counter-terrorism	Contacts	Immediate	Pro-Eurojust		Meeting planned for November
56.	Intensify cooperation with the United States in field of illegal immigration, visas and false documents	Contacts	Immediate	Strategic Committee (SCIFA)	Meeting of EU/US experts on 8 October alongside CIREFI meeting	Meeting planned for 26/10

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ECOFIN COUNCIL					
57.	Possible insider offences linked to the attacks on 11/09			Report submitted to ECOFIN Council on 16.10	
58.	Prevention of use of financial system for money-laundering purposes	End of November 2001	Council/European Parliament	Preliminary agreement in Conciliation Committee confirmed by Coreper on 10/10 and due for confirmation by European Parliament on 17/10	Final adoption
59.	Examination of relevant EC and EU instruments ensuring that banking systems do not permit the financing of terrorism	Immediate	Council		
60.	Measures to counter insider dealing and market manipulation (market abuse)	Immediate	Council/European Parliament	Under examination at Working Party level	Council common position
61.	Establishing minimum transparency criteria for various types of legal entities (such as trusts, trust funds and foundations), for the purpose of identifying the beneficial owners more easily.	Immediate	Commission/Council	JHA/ECOFIN Council on 16.10 called on the Commission to expedite its proceedings on this matter	

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62.	Measures against non-cooperating countries and territories (NCCTs) identified by the FATF and enlargement of FATF action to include measures to combat financing of terrorism. Better coordination between Member States.	Coordination in FATF Implementation by the Member States of 40 FATF recommendations on money laundering	29/30 October 2001	Council/Member States	Joint JHA/ECOFIN Council decided on 16 October that Member States would take a series of joint counter-measures (12665/01 JAI 112 ECOFIN 262 EP 97)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Approval of model for standard agreement on mutual assistance in criminal matters in December 2001 - Coordination meeting of Heads of Member States' FATF delegations on 26/10 in the Council to prepare Union position in Washington on 30/31 October.
TRANSPORT COUNCIL						
63.	<p>Increase security in the field of air transport, in particular</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - by implementing key measures listed in CEAC document 30 and by supplementing these measures in light of recent events - by preparing a detailed work programme to supplement the measures already proposed (see point 62) 	<p>Establishment of ad hoc multidisciplinary group bringing together national air security and JHA heads</p> <p>Work programme</p>	December 2001	Commission	Examination of first report by the Council on 16 October 2001	A new report together with an action programme will be submitted to the Transport Council on 6 December.

64.	OBJECTIVE	MEANS/ INSTRUMENTS	DEADLINE	BODY RESPONSIBLE	PROGRESS ALREADY MADE	FORTHCOMING WORK
64.	Adoption of air security standards in the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Checking access to sensitive zones at airports and on aircraft - Checking and monitoring of hold baggage - Checking passengers and passengers' hand luggage - Checking cargo and mail - Training of groundstaff - Classification of prohibited items - Specifications of equipment used to carry out checks 		As quickly as possible	Council/Parliament	Commission proposal presented to the Transport Council on 16.10.2001	Examination to be undertaken urgently by Coreper EP Opinion expected in November
65.	Checking quality of security measures applied by Member States	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inspection bodies - Reciprocal inspection 	As quickly as possible	Council/Commission		This aspect will also be dealt with in the Multidisciplinary Group's report to be presented to the Transport Council on 6 December

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66.	Economic situation of air transport sector, particularly: – Compensation for losses in wake of closure of American airspace (11 to 14 September) – covering higher insurance charges	State aid/ Commission examination	Immediate	Commission/Member States	Transport Council conclusions on 16.10	Council may review the situation at its meeting on 6.12
67.	Increase international cooperation in interests of heightened security	Contacts	Immediate		Document sent to ICAO containing proposals from EU Member States to be defended at the Assembly	Preparations for interministerial conference on air security before the end of 2001
