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NOTE

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Subject : UK Presidency – provisional agendas for Council meetings prepared by Coreper
(Part 2)

In accordance with Article 2, paragraph 6, of the Council's rules of procedure, the Presidency attaches for information the indicative provisional agendas for Council meetings prepared by the Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2) for the period up to 31 December 2005.

UK Presidency
Draft Work Programme for Council meetings
prepared by COREPER (Part 2)

COUNCIL	DATE					
	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS	18/19.07.05			03.10.05	07.11.05 21/22.11.05	12/13.12.05
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS	12.07.05 15.07.05 (Budget)			11.10.05	08.11.05 24.11.05 (Budget)	06.12.05
JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS				12/13.10.05		01/02.12.05

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 18/19 JULY 2005**

Session on General Affairs

1. Presidency Work Programme
2. Resolutions, opinions and decisions adopted by the European Parliament at its sessions in Strasbourg on 22-23 June and 4-7 July
3. Enlargement

Session on External Relations

1. UN Millennium Review Summit
2. Syria/Lebanon
3. Iran
4. MEPP
5. EU–China Summit preparation
6. Uzbekistan

Likely to become "A" items

- Progress of work in other Council configurations
- Transparency: open debates on acts adopted in accordance with the co-decision procedure (Art. 251 TEC) and Art. 8.1.a of the Council's Rules of Procedures
- EU position for the Co-operation Council with Kazakhstan
- EU position for the Stabilisation and Association Council with FYROM
- EU–India Summit preparation

- Iraq
- Renewal of mandates of EUSRs: FYROM, Bosnia, Great Lakes, Southern Caucasus, Middle East, Moldova, Afghanistan
- New EUSRs: Sudan, Central Asia
- ESDP: EUPM
- ESDP: Co-ordination Office for Palestinian Police Support (COPPS)
- Joint Action on support for the IAEA
- (poss.) Aceh
- Sudan: Joint Action
- (poss.) Code of Conduct on Military and Technology Exports
- (poss.) Renewal/replacement of anti-dumping measures in respect of Norwegian salmon imports
- (poss.)GSP
- (poss.) EU–Canada PNR agreement
- (poss.)EU–Canada and EU–US higher education agreements
- ESDP: Canada Framework Participation Agreement
- EU Priorities for UNGA 60
- Model Status of Mission Agreement
- Georgia Joint Co-operation Commission: Joint Action
- European Security and Defence College: Joint Action

In the margins of the Council

- **18 July:**
 - EU–FYROM Stabilisation and Association Council
- **19 July:**
 - EU–Kazakhstan Co-operation Council

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COUNCIL
LUXEMBOURG – 3 OCTOBER 2005**

Session on General Affairs

1. Resolutions, opinions and decisions adopted by the European Parliament at its sessions in Strasbourg on 5-8 and 26-29 September
2. (poss.) Financial Perspective 2007–2013
3. (poss.) Structural and Cohesion Funds
4. Enlargement: Turkey

Session on External Relations

1. Western Balkans
2. (poss.) Afghanistan
3. EU–Russia Summit preparation
4. (poss.) EU-Ukraine Summit preparation

Likely to become "A" items

- Progress of work in other Council configurations
- MEPP
- ICTY: assets freeze against indictees
- COPPS: Joint Action
- (poss.) EUPOL Kinshasa
- Human Rights: Approval of draft EU Annual Report
- (poss.) Russia Human Rights: following September consultations

In the margins of the Council

- EU–Turkey start of membership negotiations (all Foreign Ministers)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 7 NOVEMBER 2005**

Session on General Affairs

1. Resolutions, opinions and decisions adopted by the European Parliament at its sessions in Strasbourg on 12-13 and 24-27 October
2. (poss.) Financial Perspective 2007–2013

Session on External Relations

1. MEPP
2. Iraq
3. Western Balkans
4. (poss.) Iran

Likely to become "A" items

- Progress of work in other Council configurations
- EU position for the Association Council with Bulgaria
- EU position for the Association Council with Morocco
- EU position for the Co-operation Council with South Africa
- EUPM: Joint Action
- (poss.) EUPOL Kinshasa: Joint Action
- (poss.) EUSEC DRC
- China Human Rights: following October dialogue
- Iran Human Rights: following September dialogue
- Serbia and Montenegro
- Joint Actions on small arms and light weapons :
 - = Cambodia
 - = Ukraine
 - = South East Europe
 - = Albania
- Joint Action on support to OPCW

In the margins of the Council

- **7 November:**
 - EU–Bulgaria Association Council
 - EU–Morocco Association Council
 - EU–South Africa Co-operation Council

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 21/22 NOVEMBER 2005**

Session on General Affairs

1. Resolutions, opinions and decisions adopted by the European Parliament at its sessions in Strasbourg on 14-17 November
2. Preparation of the European Council on 15-16 December: approval of annotated draft agenda
3. (poss.) Financial Perspective 2007–2013
4. (poss.) Structural and Cohesion Funds

Session on External Relations

• **Foreign Ministers (21 November)**

1. Western Balkans
2. Iraq
3. (poss.) Tsunami follow-up
4. EU–Canada Summit preparation
5. EuroMed 10th Anniversary Summit preparation
6. Migration in external relations

• **Defence Ministers (21 November)**

1. ESDP: EUFOR Althea
2. Requirements Catalogue for Headline Goal 2010
3. SSR/Civ Mil Cooperation

- **Development Ministers (22 November)**
 1. Development policy: joint Council–Commission statement
 2. Effectiveness of the EC's external assistance
 3. EU Strategy for Africa
 4. (poss.) EDF
 5. (poss.) AIDS/HIV/poverty diseases

- **Trade Ministers**
 1. EU position for WTO Ministerial

Likely to become "A" items

- Progress of work in other Council configurations
- EU position for the Association Council with Jordan
- (poss.) EU position for EU–ACP Ministerial
- Bosnia: EUSR
- Review of EUMM
- ESDP: EUPM
- ESDP: military capabilities/Single Progress Report
- (poss.) ESDP: Battlegroups
- Civilian Capability Improvements Conference Declaration
- (poss.) Bosnia: Stabilisation and Association Agreement
- European Defence Agency (EDA):
 - = Council guidelines for 2006
 - = Budget for 2006
 - = Work programme
- Annual report on EC Development Policy and External Assistance
- Sugar/ACP

In the margins of the Council

- **21 November**
 - EDA Steering Board
 - Civilian Capabilities Improvement Conference
 - EU–Jordan Association Council
 - (poss.) EU–Northern Dimension Ministerial meeting

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
GENERAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 12/13 DECEMBER 2005**

Session on General Affairs

1. Resolutions, opinions and decisions adopted by the European Parliament at its session in Strasbourg from 30 November – 1 December
2. Preparation of the European Council on 15/16 December : draft conclusions
3. (poss.) Financial Perspective 2007–2013
4. (poss.) Structural Funds and strategic guidelines for Cohesion
5. Enlargement

Session on External Relations

1. MEPP
2. Africa
3. Western Balkans
4. (poss.) Iran
5. (poss.) Iraq

Likely to become "A" items

- Progress of work in other Council configurations
- EU position for the EEA Council
- EU position for the Association Council with Israel
- (poss.) EU position for the Association Council with Egypt
- EU position for the Co-operation Council with the Kyrgyz Republic
- (poss.) ENP
- Review of autonomous trade measures (ATM) for Western Balkans
- Renewal Western Balkans Stability Pact Co-ordinator's mandate

- (poss.)Africa: EU–African Union
- Future EU needs for operational analysis and information gathering
- ESDP: Headline Goal Questionnaire
- Review of EU–UN Joint Declaration and Agreed Modalities for cooperation in crisis management
- Report on "Strategic Partnership with the Mediterranean and the Middle East"
- Annual review of implementation of Human Rights policy
- Biennial review of Guidelines on Children and Armed Conflict
- (poss.) Liberia: restrictive measures
- (poss.) EUPOL Kinshasa

In the margins of the Council

- **12 December:**
 - EU–Israel Association Council
- **13 December**
 - (poss.) EU–Egypt Association Council
 - EU–Kyrgyz Republic Co-operation Council
 - EEA Council

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 12 JULY 2005**

1. Presidency work programme: presentation
2. Financing for Development
3. EC Budget : Roadmap to an integrated internal control framework: Commission presentation
4. Implementation of the Stability & Growth Pact:
 - Portugal: Council Opinion on the updated stability programme
 - Italy: excessive deficit procedure - Council decision under Article 104(6) and Council Recommendation under Article 104(7)
5. AOB

In the margins of the Council

15h00: Ministerial dialogue with acceding and candidate countries

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p.m. Eurogroup 11 July 2005 (19h00)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 15 JULY 2005**

1. Preparation of the conciliation meeting with the European Parliament
2. (poss.) Preliminary Draft amending Budget No. 3 to the general budget for 2005
3. (poss.) Preliminary Draft amending Budget No. 5 to the general budget for 2005
4. Revision of the Financial Perspective for 2006 concerning modulation
5. Establishment by the Council of the Draft Budget of the European Union for 2006
6. AOB

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**p.m. Conciliation meeting with the European Parliament prior to the Council's first reading
(11h00)**

N.B.: The precedent has been established that conciliation takes place on the same day as the Council meeting rather than the evening before

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
LUXEMBOURG – 11 OCTOBER 2005**

1. Better Regulation: including administrative burdens methodology

2. Financial Services:
 - Post-FSAP: Council conclusions
 - (poss.) Capital Requirement Directive: political agreement

3. (poss.) Follow-up to the Millennium Summit

4. Implementation of the Stability & Growth Pact

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p.m. Eurogroup 10 October (19h00)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 8 NOVEMBER 2005**

1. EC Budget : Roadmap to a positive Statement of Assurance: Council conclusions
2. Taxation:
 - VAT rates
 - VAT place of supply
 - VAT "One stop shop"
3. Review of EU Sustainable Development Strategy
4. (poss.) Financial Services: Cross-border banking and insurance
5. Implementation of the Stability & Growth Pact
6. Budgetary challenges of ageing populations and long-term sustainability: discussion of EPC report
7. EU Statistical Governance: follow-up to June ECOFIN conclusions
8. AOB

In the margins of the Council

13h00: Lunch with EFTA countries

15h00: Macroeconomic dialogue

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p.m. Eurogroup 7 November (19.00h)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 24 NOVEMBER 2005**

1. Annual report of the Court of Auditors
2. Preparation of the conciliation meeting with the European Parliament
3. Letter of amendment to the preliminary draft budget for 2006: first reading
4. Draft EU Budget for 2006 as amended and accompanied by proposals for modifications by the European Parliament: second reading
5. AOB

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p.m. Conciliation meeting with the European Parliament prior to the Council's first reading

N.B.: The precedent has been established that conciliation takes place on the same day as the Council meeting rather than the evening before

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 6 DECEMBER 2005**

1. Economic reform : follow-up to the Integrated Guidelines: Council conclusions
2. Better Regulation
3. EU-US economic cooperation – follow-up to EU-US Summit
4. Financial Services:
 - Post-FSAP: Council conclusions
 - (poss.) Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MFID) implementation extension
 - (poss.) Regulation on information accompanying wire transfers
5. Taxation:
 - Code of Conduct Report
 - Taxation of savings: state of play
5. Implementation of the Stability & Growth Pact
6. AOB

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p.m. Eurogroup: 5 December (19h00)

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS COUNCIL
LUXEMBOURG – 12/13 OCTOBER 2005**

1. Regulation establishing a European Order For Payment: possible political agreement
2. (poss.) Directive on certain aspects of Mediation: debate on specific issues
3. Framework Decision establishing a European Evidence Warrant: certain articles
4. Framework Decision on the retention of telecommunications data: general approach
5. Framework Decision on certain procedural rights in criminal proceedings: certain articles
6. EU Agreement with Norway and Iceland on surrender / extradition procedures: Presidency authorisation to sign
7. Framework Decision on participation in an organized criminal group
8. Framework Decision on law enforcement information exchange (Swedish proposal)
9. Council conclusions on intelligence-led policing: adoption
10. (poss.) Council conclusions on external aspects of EU migration policy:
 - regional protection programmes: pilot proposals
 - monitoring and evaluation report on co-operation of third countries in combating illegal migration
 - Communication on migration and development

11. (poss.) Framework Programme: Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows 2007–2013 (ERF, Borders Fund, Returns Fund, Integration Fund): discussion of objectives/allocation criteria
12. (poss.) Directive on minimum standards for returns: presentation
13. (poss.) Communication on practical co-operation on asylum: presentation
14. (poss.) Communication on integration of third country nationals: presentation

Likely to become "A" items

- Eurojust co-operation agreement with Iceland
- Eurojust co-operation agreement with Romania
- Eurojust – Council conclusions on the 3rd annual report
- Council Decision on conclusion of the UN Convention on corruption.
- Council Decision on the signature on behalf of the CE of the Convention of the Council of Europe on money laundering
- (poss.) Winter Olympics Regulation on visa facilitation
- (poss.) Negotiating mandate for an agreement on visa facilitation between the EC and Ukraine
- Council conclusions on voluntary returns
- Council Directive on minimum standards on procedures in Member States for granting and withdrawing refugee status

In the margins of the Council:

- Mixed Committee
 - (poss.) Amendments to Regulation on the common visa list: discussion
 - (poss.) Regulation on local border traffic
 - (poss.) Conclusions on roll-out framework for VIS
- EU–Russia PPC (JHA) – Ministerial Troika

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA
JUSTICE AND HOME AFFAIRS COUNCIL
BRUSSELS – 1/2 DECEMBER 2005**

1. Regulation establishing a European Small Claims procedure: debate on specific issues
2. European register of convictions and Framework Decision on recognition of disqualifications from working with children: specific issues
3. Framework Decision on participation in a criminal organisation: specific issues
4. Framework Decision establishing a European Evidence Warrant: general approach
5. Framework Decision on certain procedural rights in criminal proceedings: general approach
6. (poss.) Proposals for a Directive and Framework Decision on the fight against counterfeiting: exchange of views
7. Framework Programme: Fundamental Rights and Justice 2007–2013 (fundamental rights, violence and drugs, civil justice and criminal justice): discussion of objectives/allocation criteria
8. Strategy on the external aspects of the area of Freedom, Security and Justice
9. Terrorism: Progress report from the counter-terrorism co-ordinator and discussion, including:
 - Review of EU counter-terrorism Action Plan
 - EU Strategy on radicalisation and recruitment
 - EU Programme on critical infrastructure protection
 - (poss.) Assessment of EU performance against terrorist financing
 - Peer evaluation of national arrangements in the fight against terrorism
 - Cross-border crisis management arrangements: interim progress report

10. Framework Programme: Security and protection of Rights 2007–2013 (prevention and fight against crime, preparedness and consequence management of terrorism): discussion of objectives/allocation criteria
11. (poss.) Commission proposal for a Council Decision on cross-border police co-operation
12. Conclusions on common standards on identity cards
13. (poss.) Launch of regional protection programme pilot: information point
14. Framework Programme: Solidarity and Management of Migration Flows 2007–2013 (European Refugee Fund, Borders Fund, Returns Fund, Integration Fund): discussion of objectives/allocation criteria
15. Commission policy plan on legal migration: presentation
16. (poss.) Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing a rapid response and preparedness instrument for major emergencies
17. (poss.) Proposal for Decision amending Decision 2001/792/EC, Euratom, establishing a Community Mechanism to facilitate reinforced cooperation in civil protection assistance interventions: presentation
18. Afghanistan/drugs: discussion of EU assistance committed to region, progress in this area and presentation of EU matrix of assistance.
19. Preparation of the EU–Western Balkans JHA Ministerial meeting

Likely to become "A" items

- (poss.) Europol threat assessment/organised crime report
- Financial report on Europol budget
- Europol:
 - agreement with Croatia
 - agreement with Canada
 - data protection report Australia, Georgia, Liechtenstein
- Council Decision on common use of liaison officers.
- Report on the technical modalities of applying the principle of availability to six areas of information.

- Council Decisions on conclusion of the protocols to the UN Convention on organised crime.
- (poss.) Report on evaluation of the European Police College (CEPOL)
- Revised EU Action Plan on terrorism
- (poss.) Assessment of EU performance against terrorist financing
- Peer evaluation of national arrangements in the fight against terrorism.
- Council Conclusions on strategy to combat human trafficking
- Mid-term review of the customs co-operation strategy action plan
- (poss.) Council Conclusions on progress in implementing the EU Drugs Strategy/Action Plan
- Proposal for a Regulation on the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction: recast
- Council conclusions on Schengen evaluation of Nordic countries
- Regulation on local border traffic
- (poss.) Amendments to Regulation on the Common Visa List
- Directive on long-term residence for beneficiaries of subsidiary protection
- (poss.) EC–Russia Agreement on visa facilitation
- (poss.) EC–Russia Agreement on Readmission
- (poss.) EC–Ukraine Agreement on Readmission
- (poss.) EC–Ukraine Agreement on visa facilitation
- (poss.) EC–Morocco Agreement on Readmission
- Council Decisions to sign/conclude an Agreement with Denmark on Dublin II and Eurodac
- Council Decisions to sign/conclude a protocol to the Agreement with Norway and Iceland on Dublin II
- Council Decision to sign/conclude agreement with Switzerland on Dublin II
- Council Decision to conclude agreement with Switzerland on Schengen
- Council Conclusions on practical co-operation on asylum
- Council Conclusions on integration
- (poss.) Transit migration proposals

In the margins of the Council

- Mixed Committee at Ministerial Level
 - draft Council Decision on SIS II: certain articles/general approach
 - draft Council Regulation on SIS I: common position: if have EP's first reading
 - draft Regulation regarding access to SIS II by services in the Member States responsible for issuing vehicle registration certificates: certain articles
 - (poss.) Commission report on the visa reciprocity Regulation

- Framework Decision on law enforcement information exchange (Swedish proposal): agreement to a general approach
 - Commission proposal for a Council Decision on cross-border police co-operation: discussion of specific articles/principles
 - (poss.) Regulation on the Visa Information System
 - Directive on minimum standards for returns: certain articles
-