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from : Presidency

to : Council

Subject : Pursuing the treaty reform process

Delegations will find attached a number of questions drawn up by the Presidency in order to help guide the discussion at the Council on the evening of 17 June.

1. For some delegations, it is highly important to return to the traditional method of treaty changes through an amending treaty.
Are delegations prepared to accept a traditional amending treaty, provided that it is part of a satisfactory overall compromise which still ensures, as far as possible, that the new treaty is clear and comprehensible to the citizens?
2. Are delegations prepared to accept certain terminological changes, in particular to give up the term "constitution" as well as the articles on the symbols of the Union and on the primacy of Union law, provided that this is part of a satisfactory overall compromise?
3. Do delegations agree with the proposal that, in the future, the EU should have a single legal personality?
4. Delegations have expressed highly differing views on the issue of the Charter of Fundamental Rights. Are delegations prepared to accept, as a compromise solution, that the full text of the Charter of Fundamental Rights is taken out of the treaty and that it is, instead, given legally binding status through an appropriate cross-reference in the treaty text?
5. Do delegations agree with the idea of overcoming the existing pillar structure? Do they agree on the need to clarify that special rules and procedures should continue to apply to CFSP?

