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PROVISIONAL AGENDA

for : 2863rd meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(Justice and Home Affairs)

date : Luxembourg, Friday 18 April 2008 (09 h.30)

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda
2. Approval of the list of "A" items
8314/08 PTS A 19
3. Proposal for a Council Directive amending Directive 2003/109/EC to extend its scope to beneficiaries of international protection **(LA)**
 - orientation debate
8067/08 ASIM 23
4. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals **(LA)**
(Public deliberation pursuant to Article 8(1)(c))
 - state of play

5. Draft Council Decision authorising the Commission to open negotiations for the conclusion of an agreement between the European Community and the United States of America regarding certain conditions for access to the United States' Visa Waiver Program in accordance with Section 711 of the "Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 **(LA) (*)**
8089/08 JAI 154 USA 20 RELEX 199 **RESTREINT**
6. The problem of illegal migration in Greece as EU's external border
7. Proposal for a Council Decision establishing the European Police Office (EUROPOL) **(LA)**
- political agreement
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8. EU Action plan for enhancing the security of explosives
- political agreement
8311/08 JAI 165 ENFOPOL 75 MI 117 ENT 74 CHIMIE 18 TRANS 116
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9. Council Framework decision amending Framework Decision 2002/475/JHA on combating terrorism: amendments **(LA)**
- general approach
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10. Initiative of the Republic of Slovenia, the French Republic, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Slovak Republic, the United Kingdom and the Federal Republic of Germany with a view to adopting a Council Framework Decision on the enforcement of decisions rendered *in absentia* and amending Framework Decision 2002/584/JHA on the European arrest warrant and the surrender procedures between Member States, Framework Decision 2005/214/JHA on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties, Framework Decision 2006/783/JHA on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to confiscation orders and Framework Decision 2008/.../JHA on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to judgments in criminal matters imposing custodial sentences or measures involving deprivation of liberty for the purpose of their enforcement in the European Union **(LA)**
- general approach
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+ ADD 1

11. Draft Council Decision on the strengthening of Eurojust amending Council Decision 2002/187/JHA of 28 February 2002, as amended by Council Decision 2003/659/JHA setting up Eurojust with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious crime (LA)
 - certain issues
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12. Common Frame of Reference for European Contract Law
 - Draft Council position
8286/08 JUSTCIV 68 CONSOM 39
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13. Outcome of the EU-US Ministerial Troika Meeting on Justice and Home Affairs, 12-13 March 2008, Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia : info point

14. AOB
 - Director general of the IOM post
 - Information by the NL delegation on resettlement of refugees
 - "1st European Hearing on Crimes committed by Totalitarian Regimes" - Brussels, 8 April 2008

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In the margins of the Council:

Meeting of the Mixed Committee at Ministerial level (09 h.30)

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

2. SIS II - Report on the development of the SIS II project
 - state of play
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 - Report on open issues related to the SIS II schedule
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3. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on common standards and procedures in Member States for returning illegally staying third-country nationals
 - state of play

4. AOB
 - Information on the abolition of checks on persons at internal air borders as of
30 March 2008

(LA) : Legislative act

(*) : Item on which a vote may be requested