NOTICE OF MEETING AND PROVISIONAL AGENDA

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Subject: 2979th meeting to the COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
         (Justice and Home Affairs)
         Date: Monday 30 November 2009 (10 h.00)
         and Tuesday 1 December 2009 (10 h. 00)
         Venue: COUNCIL
         JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
         Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

- Adoption of the provisional agenda
- Approval of the list of "A" items
- Council Decision authorizing the signature of an agreement between EU and Japan on mutual legal assistance in criminal matters
- Adoption
- Multi-annual strategic work programme in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice (The Stockholm Programme) (point relevant for both days)
  - General debate
  **(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (3))**

- Common European Asylum System
  = State of play
  **(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (3))**

    - Presentation by the Commission and first exchange of views
    **(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (1)(a))**

  = Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on minimum standards for the qualification and status of third country nationals or stateless persons as beneficiaries of international protection and the content of the protection granted **(LA)**
    - Presentation by the Commission and first exchange of views
    **(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (1)(a))**

- Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 539/2001 listing the third countries whose nationals must be in possession of visas when crossing the external borders and whose nationals are exempt from that requirement **(LA)** *
  - Adoption

- External relations:
  a) Outcome and follow-up of the EU-US Ministerial Troika (28 October 2009)
  b) Outcome and follow-up of the EU-Western Balkans Ministerial Forum on JHA (16 - 17 November 2009)
  c) Preparation of the EU-Russia Ministerial PPC (Freedom, Security and Justice) (2 December 2009)

- Counter-terrorism : 6-monthly report by the Counter-terrorism Coordinator
  - Presentation and debate on certain issues

- Council Decision authorising the signing of an Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America on the processing and transfer of Financial Messaging Data for purposes of the Terrorist Finance Tracking Programme
  - Adoption

- Proposal for an Information Management Strategy for EU internal security
  - Approval
- Instrument on combating sexual abuse, exploitation of children and child pornography.
  - State of play
    *(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (1))*

- Instrument on Transfer of Criminal Proceedings
  - Orientation debate
    *(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (1))*

- Trafficking in Human Beings
  a) Instrument for a Council Framework Decision on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings, and protecting victims.
    - Orientation debate
      *(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (1))*

  b) Action Oriented Paper on strengthening the EU external dimension regarding action against trafficking in human beings
    - Adoption
      *(public deliberation pursuant to Article 8 (3))*

- e-Justice
  - State of play

- AOB

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In the margins of the Council

Meeting of the Mixed Committee (Monday 30 November 2009 at 10:00)

- Adoption of the provisional agenda

- Visa Information System
  - State of play

- SIS II
  - State of play

- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing an Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice
  – Orientation debate

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(LA) = legislative act
(*) = Item on which a vote may be requested

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