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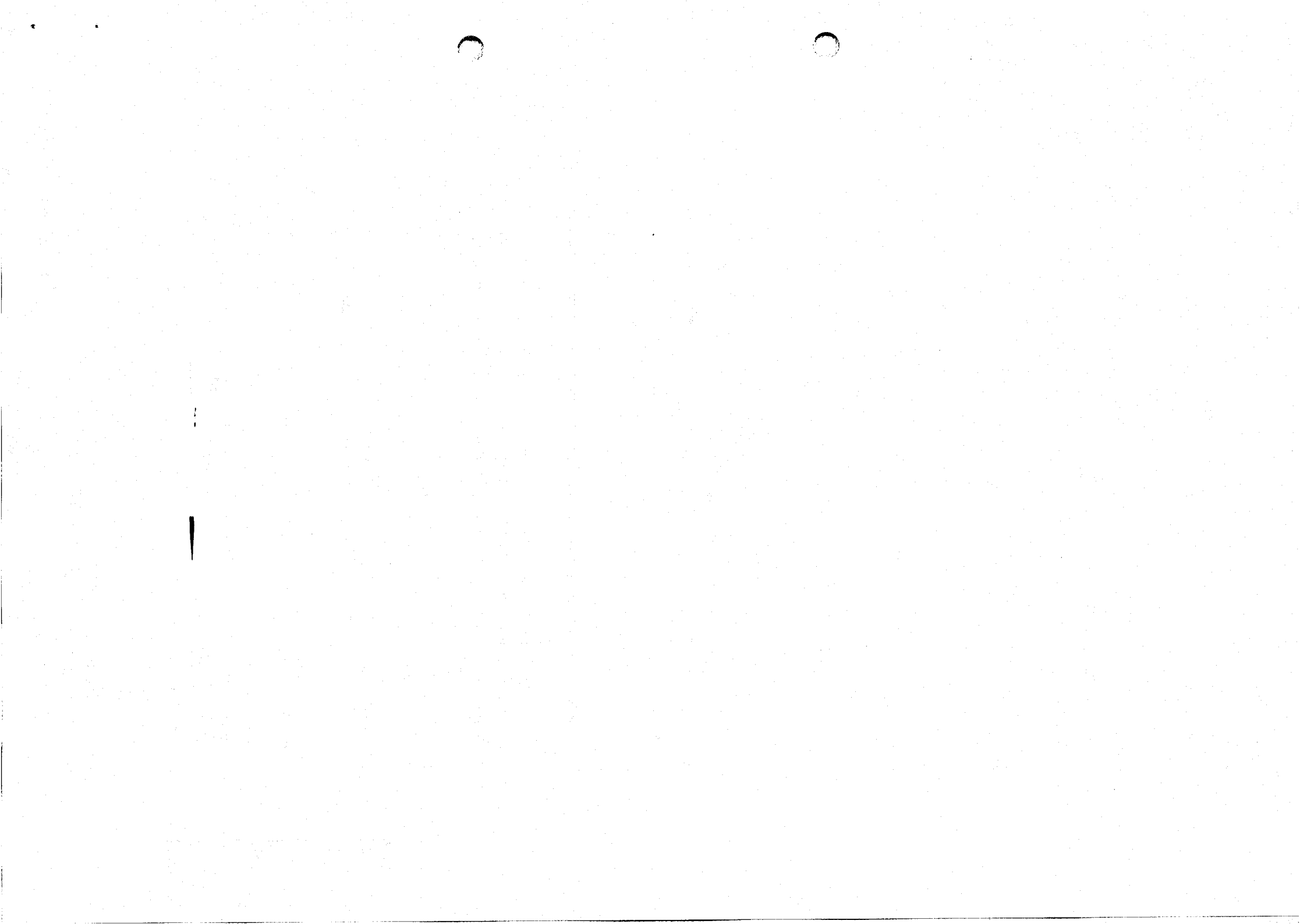
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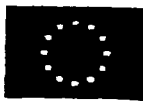
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WORKING PROGRAMME OF THE COUNCIL

PROGRAMME OF THE SWEDISH PRESIDENCY

In accordance with Article 1, second paragraph, of the Council's internal rules of procedure, the Presidency attaches herewith for the information of delegations an indicative programme of the Councils prepared by the Permanent Representatives Committee (part I) for the period up to 30 June 2001.

This working programme is only indicative and reflects the information available to the Presidency at this stage.

SWEDISH PRESIDENCY
DRAFT WORKING PROGRAMME OF COUNCIL SESSIONS

prepared by COREPER (1st part)

COUNCIL	DATES					
	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE
INTERNAL MARKET/CONSUMER/TOURISM			12.03.01			05.06.01
TRANSPORT/TELECOMMUNICATIONS				04/05.04.01		27/28.06.01
INDUSTRY/ENERGY					14/15.05.01	
EMPLOYMENT/SOCIAL POLICY			06.03.01		(poss.) 07.05.01	11.06.01
EDUCATION/YOUTH AFFAIRS		12.02.01			28.05.01	
CULTURE						21.06.01
RESEARCH						26.06.01
ENVIRONMENT			08.03.01			07/08.06.01
HEALTH					31.05.01	
FISHERIES			20/21.03.01			18.06.01
AGRICULTURE	29/30.01.01	19/20.02.01	19/20.03.01	24/25.04.01	22/23.05.01	19/20.06.01

INTERNAL MARKET, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND TOURISM COUNCIL

12 MARCH 2001

1. The Cardiff economic reform process – Internal Market aspects
– *Council conclusions*
2. The European Council in Stockholm, 23-24 March – Internal Market aspects
– *Policy debate*
3. Commission Strategy for removing barriers to trade in services
– *Orientation debate*
4. Commission Strategy for Better Lawmaking – Simplification of Legislation
– *Presentation by the Commission*
5. Strategy for integration of environmental protection and sustainable development into Internal Market policy
– *Information by the Presidency*
6. (poss.) Parallel imports/Exhaustion of trademark rights
– *Orientation debate*
7. Community patent
– *Orientation debate/ Progress report*
8. (poss.) Community Design
– *Adoption*
9. (poss.) European Company Statute
– *Adoption*
10. (poss.) Strategy for Customs Union
– *Resolution*
11. Public procurement
– *Orientation debate*
12. eEurope Action Plan
– *Progress report*
– *Exchange of views*
13. (poss.) White Paper on Chemicals Strategy – internal market and consumer aspects
– *Presentation by the Commission*

14. Food law and establishing the European Food Authority
 - *Orientation debate*
15. Proposal on food supplements
 - *Political agreement/Common position*
16. Distance marketing of consumer financial services
 - *Political agreement*

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INTERNAL MARKET, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND TOURISM COUNCIL

05 JUNE 2001

1. Review of the Strategy for Europe's Internal Market
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *(poss.) Council conclusions*
2. Joint Work Programme of the three Presidencies (S, B, E)
 - *Progress report*
 - *Exchange of views*
3. Single Market Scoreboard
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Exchange of views*
4. Strategy for integration of environmental protection and sustainable development into Internal Market policy
 - *Report to the European Council*
5. (poss.) Parallel imports/Exhaustion of trademark rights
 - *Progress report/orientation debate*
6. Community patent
 - *Orientation debate*
 - *Political agreement*
7. (poss.) Patentability of Software
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
8. Public procurement
 - *(poss.) Political agreement/common position*
9. (poss.) Position on a proposal for a Regulation on financial reporting in accordance with International Accounting Standards
 - *Orientation debate*
10. Directive of the European Parliament and the Council amending Directives 78/660/EEC and 83/349/EEC as regards the valuation rules for the annual and consolidated accounts of certain types of companies
 - *Political agreement/common position*
11. Insurance Intermediation
 - *(poss.) Political agreement/common position*

12. (poss.) Life insurance
 - *Adoption*
13. Solvency Margin for Insurance Undertakings
 - *Political agreement/common position*
14. Type approval of motor vehicles for transport of animals
 - (poss.) *Political agreement/common position*
15. Food law and establishing the European Food Authority
 - *Adoption or political agreement/common position*
16. Labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs
 - *Adoption or political agreement/common position*
17. Phthalates in toys
 - *Political agreement/common position*
18. (poss.) Cosmetic products
 - *Political agreement/common position*
19. (poss.) Community procedures for the authorisation of medicinal products
 - *Progress report*
20. Informal meeting on consumer interests of Ministers for Internal Market and Consumer Affairs in Lund the 27-28 April
 - *Report by the Presidency*
21. (poss.) Approximation of laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning consumer credit
 - *Presentation*
 - *Orientation debate*
22. (poss.) Product safety Directive
 - *Adoption*
23. Door step selling
 - *Progress report by the Commission*
24. Good business practice
 - *Exchange of views*
25. Administrative cooperation
 - *Exchange of views/Council resolution*
26. Information security (as a follow up of the eEurope Action Plan)
 - *Exchange of views*

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TRANSPORT AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

04/05 APRIL 2001

HORIZONTAL TRANSPORT ISSUES

1. Commission communication on a revised strategy for the common transport policy ("White Paper")
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
2. Strategy for integrating environment and sustainable mobility into the transport policy (Cardiff/Helsinki follow-up)
 - *Council resolution/conclusions*
3. Proposal for amending the decision 1692/96/EC on guidelines for Trans-European Networks for transport (general revision)
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
4. (poss.) Galileo

AIR TRANSPORT

5. Aviation and the environment: ICAO regulations for gaseous and noise emissions
 - *Common approach for the ICAO Assembly*
6. Aviation safety: Proposal for a Regulation establishing common rules in the field of civil aviation safety and setting up a European Aviation Safety Authority (EASA)
 - *Debate*
7. (poss.): Proposal for modification of the Regulation 3922/91 (transposition of JAR OPS into Community Law)
 - *Adoption/common position*

LAND TRANSPORT

8. Proposal for a Regulation on action by Member States concerning public service requirements and the award of public service contracts in passenger transport by rail, road and inland waterway
 - *Policy debate*
9. Commission communication on controls and sanctions in the road sector
 - *Council resolution*
10. Proposal for a Directive on training of professional lorry drivers
 - *Adoption/common position*

11. Proposal for a Regulation on certain rules concerning the control of drivers engaged by road transport operators established in the EU when carrying out with Community vehicles intra-Community transport operations (third country drivers)
 - *Adoption/common position*
12. Proposal for a Directive on a transparent system of harmonised rules for driving restrictions on heavy goods vehicles involved in international transport on designated roads (week-end bans)
 - *Adoption/common position*
13. (poss.) Draft Directive on the organisation of the working-time of persons whose occupation is the performance of mobile road-transport activities
 - *Common position/adoption*
14. Proposal for a revision of Regulation 3820/85
 - *Common position/adoption*
15. Proposal for amending directive 91/671/EEC on compulsory use of safety belts, including compulsory use of type-approved child restraint systems
 - *Policy debate, (poss.) adoption/common position*
16. Commission Recommendation on the maximum permitted blood alcohol level for vehicle drivers
 - *Council conclusions*
17. Proposal for amending directive 96/53/EC on weights and dimensions of heavy vehicles – 15 meter buses
 - *Adoption/common position*

SHIPPING

18. Maritime safety:
 - a) (poss.) Erica I
 - = port state control
 - = classification societies
 - *Adoption*
 - b) Erica II – package
 - = Proposal for a Regulation in the establishment of a European Maritime Safety Authority
 - = Proposal for a Regulation on the establishment of a fund for damages caused by oil pollution in European waters
 - = Proposal for a Directive on the establishment of a European system for information on maritime traffic
 - *Orientation debate*

19. (poss.) Proposal for a Directive establishing requirements and harmonised procedures for the safe loading and unloading of bulk carrier
 - *Adoption/common position*
20. (poss.) Proposal for a Regulation for setting up a Committee on Safe Seas
 - *Adoption/common position*

TELECOMMUNICATION AND ICT ISSUES

21. Proposal for a Directive on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services
 - *Political agreement*
22. Proposal for a directive on access to, and interconnection of, electronic communications networks and associated facilities
 - *Orientation debate/political agreement*
23. Proposal for a directive on the authorisation of electronic communications networks and services
 - *Orientation debate/political agreement*
24. Proposal for a directive on universal service and users' rights relating to electronic communications networks and services
 - *Orientation debate/political agreement*
25. (poss.) Proposal for a directive on the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications
 - *Progress report*
26. (poss.) Proposal for a Decision on a regulatory framework for radio spectrum policy in the European Community
 - *Progress report*
27. (poss.) Proposal for a decision regarding .EU top level domain
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) adoption*
28. eEurope Action Plan
 - *Information from the Commission*
29. "Global Business Dialogue" (GBD)
 - *Information from the Commission*

TRANSPORT AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL

27/28 JUNE 2001

HORIZONTAL TRANSPORT ISSUES

1. Commission communication on a revised strategy for the common transport policy ("White Paper")
 - *Council Resolution*
2. Proposal for amending the decision 1692/96/EC on guidelines for Trans-European Networks for transport (general revision)
 - *Debate/political agreement*

AIR TRANSPORT

3. Single European Sky: Proposal for Directive on punctuality indicators in air transport
 - *Adoption/common position*
4. Aviation and the environment: ICAO regulations for gaseous and noise emissions
 - *Common approach for the ICAO Assembly*
5. Aviation safety: Proposal for a Regulation establishing common rules in the field of civil aviation safety and setting up a European Aviation Safety Authority (EASA)
 - *Common position*

LAND TRANSPORT

6. Proposal for a Regulation on action by Member States concerning public service requirements and the award of public service contracts in passenger transport by rail, road and inland waterway
 - *Adoption/common position*
7. Proposal for amending Directive 88/599/EEC on standard checking procedures for the implementation of regulation 3820/85 on the harmonisation of certain social legislation relating to road transport
 - *Adoption/common position*
8. Proposal for amending Directive 91/439/EEC on driving licences
 - *Adoption/common position*
9. (poss.) Proposal for amending Directive 91/671/EEC on compulsory use of safety belts, including compulsory use of type-approved child restraint systems
 - *Adoption/common position*

10. (poss.) Proposal for amending Directive 92/6/EEC on the use of speed limitation devices
 - *Adoption/common position*
11. Green paper on the position of public transport and private cars in the urban context ("Clean Urban Transport")
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
12. New railway package
 - *Presentation/orientation debate*

SHIPPING

13. Maritime safety:
 - a) (poss.) Erica I: accelerated phasing-in of doublehull tankers
 - *Adoption/common position*
 - b) Erica II – package
 - = Proposal for a Regulation in the establishment of an European Maritime Safety Authority
 - = Proposal for a Regulation on the establishment of a fund for damages caused by oil pollution in European waters
 - = Proposal for a Directive on the establishment of an European system for information on maritime traffic
 - *Debate, (poss.) adoption/common position*
14. (poss.) Proposal for a Directive on harmonisation of certain ships' arrival and departure documents based on IMO FAL forms and used in short-sea shipping in Europe
 - *Adoption/common position*

TELECOMMUNICATION AND ICT ISSUES

15. Proposal for a directive on the processing of personal data and the protection of privacy in the electronic communications
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) political agreement*
16. Proposal for a Decision on a regulatory framework for radio spectrum policy in the European Community
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) political agreement*
17. Proposal for a Decision regarding .EU top level domain
 - *Political agreement*
18. eEurope Action Plan
 - *Information from the Commission*

19. "Global Business Dialogue" (GBD)
- *information from the Commission*

20. Commission communications and proposals:

- = Decision on a revision of the annex 1 (identification of projects of common interest) of the TEN-Telecom guidelines
- = Communication on the follow-up of the Green Paper on public sector information in the information society
- = Communication on self-regulation e-commerce guidelines
- = Communication on the Community interests in relation to the reform process in the ITU
- *Presentation by the Commission*

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INDUSTRY AND ENERGY COUNCIL

14/15 MAY 2001

1. Internal Market in electricity and gas
 - a) Communication on the implementation of the electricity (96/92/EC) and gas (98/30/EC) Directives
(poss.) Communication on public service obligations in the transport and energy sectors
Report on harmonisation requirements in relation to the gas directive
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - b) Proposals for amending the gas (98/30/EC) and electricity (96/92/EC) Directives
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) political agreement*
 - c) Proposal on rules for transboundary tarification
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) political agreement*
2. Commission Green paper – Towards a European Strategy for the Security of Energy Supply
 - *Council conclusions*
3. Communication on the integration of environmental aspects and sustainable development into energy policy
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Council conclusions*
4. Energy efficiency
 - a) Plan to save energy and diversify sources
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Council conclusions*
 - b) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on the Community Energy-Efficient Labelling Programme for Office Equipment
 - *Adoption*
5. Northern dimension – energy sector
 - *Progress report*
 - *Council conclusions*
6. Energy Charter Treaty
 - *Progress report*
 - *(poss.) Council conclusions on the Transit Protocol*
7. Communication on a new approach for the Barcelona process and Euro-Mediterranean co-operation in the transport and energy sectors
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - *Council conclusions*
8. (poss.) Proposal for a negotiation mandate on trade in electricity
 - *Council decision*

9. (poss.) Proposal for an EP and Council Decision amending Decision 1254/96/EC laying down a series of guidelines for TEN
 - *Orientation debate*
10. (poss.) Proposal for a Council Decision on Synergy (co-operation programme with third countries in the energy sector) (Comitology Decision)
 - *Adoption*
11. Proposal for a directive of the EP and the Council on the promotion of energy from renewables sources
 - *p.m.*
12. Competitiveness and enterprise policy in the European Union
 - Follow-up to the Lisbon process and the European Council in Stockholm (23/24 March 2001)
 - *Council conclusions*
13. Integration of sustainable development into the industry policy of the European Union
 - *Council conclusions*
14. Competition
 - a) Proposal for a Council Regulation on the implementation of the rules on competition in Articles 81 and 82 of the EC Treaty and amending Regulations 1017/68, 2988/74 and 3975/87
 - *Orientation debate*
 - b) XXXth Report on Competition Policy 2000
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
 - c) Ninth Survey on State Aid in the European Union
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
15. Coal and Steel Industry
 - a) Communication from the Commission on the expiry of the ECSC Treaty: Financial activities after 2002
 - *State of play*
 - b) Draft decision of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member States of the ECSC, meeting within the Council, concerning the financial consequences of the expiry of the Treaty establishing the ECSC
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) adoption*
 - c) Proposal for a Council Decision laying down multiannual financial guidelines for managing the assets of the "ECSC in liquidation"
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) adoption*
 - d) Proposal for a Council Decision laying down the multiannual technical guidelines for research programmes of the Coal and Steel Research Fund
 - *Orientation debate/(poss.) adoption*

16. Shipbuilding Industry

a) Situation in world Shipbuilding

- *Report from the Commission*

b) Monitoring report on aid to certain shipyards undergoing restructuring in Germany and Spain

- *Presentation by the Commission*

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EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY COUNCIL

06 MARCH 2001

1. Safe and sustainable pensions and pension systems – a new field of European cooperation?
 - *Debate*
2. Preparation of the Stockholm European Council 23/24 March 2001
 - *Commission contribution (Synthesis report)*
 - *(poss.) Presidency conclusions*
 - *Mandates from Nice*
 - *Follow-up of the European Council in Nice concerning the Social Agenda*
 - *Reports from the Social Protection Committee*
 - *on-going work on the fight against social exclusion*
 - *on-going work on pensions*
 - *Information by the Presidency concerning*
 - *results of the informal ministerial meeting on Equality and Social Security*
 - *results of the informal ministerial meeting on Employment and Telecommunications*
 - *results of the Conference "Work Life 2000 – Quality in Work"*
3. Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive establishing a general framework for informing and consulting employees in the European Community
 - *Political agreement on a common position*
4. Directive on employee involvement within the European Company
 - *Adoption/progress report*
5. Employment Committee Work Programme 2001
 - *Information*
6. Social Protection Committee Work Programme 2001
 - *Information*
7. Proposal for a Decision of the European parliament and the Council on Community incentive measures in the field of employment
 - *Political agreement on a common position*

8. Proposal for a Council Regulation (EC) of the European parliament and of the Council Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 on the application of social security schemes to employed persons, to self-employed persons and to members of their families moving within the Community and Council Regulations (EEC) No 574/72 laying down the procedure for implementing Regulation (EEC) No 1408/71 (Miscellaneous amendments)

- *Common position*

9. Amended proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending for the second time Directive 89/655/EEC concerning the minimum safety and health requirements for the use of work equipment by workers at work (2nd individual Directive within the meaning for Article 16 of Directive 89/391/EEC (Scaffolding, etc.)

- *Common position*

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(poss.) EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY COUNCIL

07 MAY 2001

1. Follow-up of the European Council in Stockholm
 - *Debate*
2. Preparation of the Göteborg European Council
 - Recommendation concerning the Broad Economic Policy Guidelines of the Member States and of the Community 2001
 - *Adoption of a contribution*
 - Strategy for Sustainable Development
 - *Council opinion*
3. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and the Council establishing a programme of community action to encourage cooperation between the Member States to combat social exclusion
 - *Political agreement/adoption*
4. Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive establishing a general framework for informing and consulting employees in the European Community
 - *Adoption*
5. Directive on employee involvement within the European Company
 - *Adoption (if no agreement has been reached on 6 March)*

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EMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL POLICY COUNCIL

11 JUNE 2001

1. Proposal for a Regulation (EC) of the Council and of the European Parliament on the coordination of social security systems
- *Progress report*
2. Amended proposal for a Council Directive on the minimum health and safety requirements regarding exposure of workers to the risks arising from physical agents (vibration) (nth individual Directive from physical agents within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/392/EEC)
- *Adoption/progress report*
3. Amended proposal for a Council Directive on the minimum health and safety requirements regarding exposure of workers to the risks arising from physical agents (noise) (nth individual Directive from physical agents within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/392/EEC)
- *Progress report*
4. (poss.) Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending for the second time Council Directive 83/477/EEC on the protection of workers related to exposure to asbestos at work
- *Progress report*
5. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 76/207/EEC on the implementation of the principle of equal treatment for men and women as regards access to employment, vocational training and promotion, and working conditions
- *Political agreement on a common position/progress report*
6. Follow up to the principle of gender mainstreaming in two policy areas in Council
- *Information*
7. Progress report from the Social Protection Committee
- Report on national action plans
- Report on indicators
- *Information*
8. (poss.) Temporary agency work
- *Presentation/adoption*

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EDUCATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS COUNCIL

12 FEBRUARY 2001

1. The concrete future objectives of education systems: common concerns and priorities
– *Adoption of report to the European Council and debate*
2. Strategies for lifelong learning: Implementation of the Employment Guidelines for 2001
– *Debate*
3. Commission Memorandum on lifelong learning
– *Presentation by the Commission and first exchange of views*
4. Evaluation reports on the first phase of the Community action programmes Socrates and Leonardo da Vinci
– *Presentation by the Commission*
5. Progress report on the European Year of Languages 2001
– *Presentation by the Commission*
6. Opening of the third phase of the trans-European cooperation scheme for higher education (Tempus III) (2000-2006) to the Former Republic of Yugoslavia
– *Information from the Commission*
7. Informal conference of Ministers of Education and Research in Uppsala 1-3 March
– *Information from the Presidency*

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EDUCATION AND YOUTH AFFAIRS COUNCIL

28 MAY 2001

1. Follow-up of the meeting of the European Council in Stockholm on 23-24 March
– *Note from the Presidency and debate*
2. Contribution of the Education Council to the Luxemburg process: The role of education and training in employment policies
– *Council Resolution*
3. (poss.) Draft proposal for a recommendation of the European Parliament and of the Council on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, young volunteers, teachers and trainers
– *Adoption*
4. Commission Memorandum on lifelong learning
– *Council Conclusions*
5. (poss.) Implementation of the action plan eLearning
– *Council Resolution*
6. Progress report on the European Year of Languages 2001
– *Presentation by the Commission*
7. Quality assurance in education and vocational training
– *Information from the Commission*
8. 5th European conference of Education Ministers in Riga on 28-30 June
– *Information from the Presidency and the Commission*
9. Future EU work on youth issues
– *Information/debate*
10. Evaluation of previous EU programmes, Youth for Europe and European Voluntary Service for Young People
– *Presentation from the Commission on the final evaluation*
11. Young people – the key resource for a future Europe
– *Debate*

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CULTURE COUNCIL

21 JUNE 2001

1. Protection of minors from harmful media content
 - *Conclusions*
2. The audiovisual sector from an enlargement perspective
 - *Conclusions*
3. State aid to the film industry
 - *(poss.) Conclusions*
4. The need for a regular exchange of information and experience on conditions for artists in an enlargement perspective
 - *Resolution*
5. (poss.) Public service broadcasting
 - *Progress report*
6. European Capital of Culture: nomination of members of the Jury
 - *Information from the Swedish and Belgian delegations*
7. (poss.) Follow-up to the eEurope Action Plan
 - *Information from the Presidency*
8. (poss.) Telecommunications Directives: audiovisual implications
 - *Information from the Presidency*
9. (poss.) Export of cultural goods
 - a) Amendment of Council Regulation 3911/92 on the export of cultural goods
 - *Adoption*
 - b) Amendment of the EP and Council Directive 7/93 on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territories of the Member States
 - *Adoption*

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RESEARCH COUNCIL

26 JUNE 2001

1. Sixth framework programme for research and technological development
 - *Orientation debate*
2. Rules for the participation of undertakings, research centres and universities
 - *Presentation/debate*
3. European Research Area:
 - = Mapping of excellence
 - = Science & Society
 - = Mobility & human resources
 - = Infrastructures
 - = Regional & international dimensions of R&D
 - = Benchmarking
 - *Presentation and progress report by the Commission/debate and possible conclusions*
4. (poss.) International S/T Co-operation
 - *Brazil: conclusion of S/T agreement*
 - *Euratom/USA: conclusion of agreement in the area of fusion*
 - *Ukraine: mandate to negotiate an S/T agreement*
 - *India: mandate to negotiate an S/T agreement*
 - *Malta: conclusion of association agreement*
 - *Chile: mandate to negotiate an S/T agreement*
5. (poss.) JRC
 - *Presentation of the Commission's communication*
 - *Council Conclusions/orientation debate*
6. (poss.) Future of fusion/nuclear research & ITER
 - *Orientation debate/Council Conclusions*
7. Women in Science
 - *Progress report*
8. (poss.) European Space Strategy
 - *Progress report*

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ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

08 MARCH 2001

1. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning public access to environmental information
 - *Common position*
2. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning two- and three wheeled vehicles
 - *(poss.) Common position*
3. Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Decision on the 6th Environmental Action Programme
 - *Orientation debate*
4. Commission White paper on a Chemicals Strategy
 - *Orientation debate*
5. Preparations for the ten year review of UNCED/Commission Communication on Rio + 10
 - *Orientation debate/conclusions*
6. Climate change
 - *Preparations for a resumed session of COP 6*
 - *State of play of EU ratification of the Kyoto Protocol*
7. Commission Communication on bathing waters
 - *(poss.) Conclusions*
8. Commission Green paper on Integrated Product Policy
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
9. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 70/220/EEC concerning measures to be taken against air pollution by emissions from motor vehicles (cold start emissions from light duty vehicles)
 - *(poss.) Common position*
10. Proposal for a Decision of European Parliament and of the Council on the establishing of a list of priority substances in the field of water policy
 - *Progress report*
11. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste from electrical and electronic equipment
Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment
 - *Progress report*

12. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council modifying Directive 94/25/EC on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the member states relating to recreational craft (gas and noise emissions)
 - *Progress report*
13. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning public participation
 - *Progress report*
14. (poss.) Proposal for an initiative on the labelling and traceability of genetically modified organisms
 - *Presentation by the Commission*

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ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL

07/08 JUNE 2001

1. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning two- and three wheeled vehicles
 - *Common position (if not adopted by the Council in March)*
2. Proposals for Directives of the European Parliament and of the Council on
 - waste from electric and electronic equipment
 - limitation of the use of certain dangerous substances in electric and electronic equipment
 - *Common position*
3. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 70/220/EEC concerning measures to be taken against air pollution by emissions from motor vehicles (cold start emissions from light duty vehicles)
 - *Common position (if not adopted by the Council in March)*
4. Proposal for a Decision of European Parliament and of the Council on the establishing of a list of priority substances in the field of water policy
 - *Common position*
5. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and of the Council on the 6th Environmental Action Programme
 - *Common position (input to the Göteborg Summit discussion on a strategy for sustainable development)*
6. White paper on a Chemicals Strategy
 - *Council conclusions or Resolution*
7. Commission Green paper on Integrated Product Policy
 - *Council conclusions*
8. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Directive 94/25/EC recreational craft (gas and noise emissions)
 - *Common position*
9. Climate change
 - *(poss.) Information from the Presidency regarding the outcome of Cop 6*
 - *Presentation by the Commission of the European Climate Change Programme (ECCP)*
10. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning public participation
 - *(poss.) Common position*

11. (poss.) Proposal for a initiative on labelling and traceability of genetically modified organisms
- *Orientation debate*
12. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on Emissions from (small) non-road mobile machinery engines
- *Progress report*
13. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on batteries and accumulators
- *Progress report*
14. (poss.) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on fuel quality (revision of Directive 98/70)
- *Presentation by the Commission/progress report*

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HEALTH COUNCIL

31 MAY 2001

1. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and the Council adopting a programme of Community action in the field of public health (2001-2006)
 - *Common position/adoption*
2. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and the Council adopting a Directive on blood safety
 - *Progress report*
3. Proposal for a Decision of the European Parliament and the Council adopting a Directive on tobacco advertising
 - *Presentation by the Commission/progress report*
4. Measures concerning alcohol from the point of view of Public Health
 - a) Proposal for a Council Recommendation on alcohol consumption by children and adolescents
 - b) Council Conclusions on a strategy for reducing the harmful effects of alcohol
 - *Debate and adoption*
5. Proposal for a Council Recommendation on prudent use of antimicrobials in human therapy
 - *Progress report/adoption*
6. Action plan on Nutrition Policy
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
7. (poss.) Proposal for a Council Recommendation on the Prevention of Doping
 - *Presentation/adoption*
8. WHO framework Convention on Tobacco Control
 - *Report and (poss.) debate*
9. Cooperation with third countries
 - a) Health in the Applicant Countries
 - *Information/Report*
 - b) Health in the Northern dimension
 - *Information/Report*
10. Health in other policies – Current issues
 - *Information*

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FISHERIES COUNCIL

20/21 MARCH 2001

1. Autonomous tariff quotas
 - *Adoption (poss. "A" item)*
2. Technical conservation measures: Amendment of Regulation n° 850/98 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (North Sea, Atlantic)
 - *Adoption (poss. "A" item)*
3. Fisheries and the Environment: Integrating environmental issues and sustainable development into fisheries policy (the Cardiff Process)
 - *Adoption of a Council report to the European Council*
4. Commission Communication on ecolabelling
 - *Policy debate*
5. (poss.) Commission Communication on biodiversity
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
6. Commission Communication on the Precautionary and Multiannual Approach
 - *Council Conclusions*
7. The future Common Fisheries Policy - Green Paper from the Commission
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
8. Commission Communication on ICCAT (International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas)
 - *Policy debate*
9. (poss.) Council Decision on Community financial contribution to expenditure incurred by Member States on implementing control measures (2001-2003)
 - *Adoption (poss. "A" item)*
10. Ratification of the UN Agreement on straddling and highly migratory fish stocks
 - *Report on the state of play of national ratification processes*
11. Commission Communication on fisheries control including enforcement in the framework of the Regional Fisheries Organisations
 - *Policy debate*
12. Proposal for a Council Regulation establishing measures to be applicable in 2001 for the recovery of the stock of cod in the Irish Sea (ICES Division VIIa)
 - *Adoption*

13. Morocco
 - *Policy debate*
14. (poss.) Bilateral fisheries agreements with third countries
 - *Information*

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FISHERIES COUNCIL

18 JUNE 2001

1. The future Common Fisheries Policy – Green Paper from the Commission
– *Policy debate*
2. Future Community fleet policy/Follow up on Multiannual Guidance Programme (MAGP)
– *Policy debate*
3. Preparation of the fifth North Sea Conference
– *Adoption of a Community position*
4. Modification of Council Regulation (EC) No 847/96 introducing additional conditions for the year-to-year management of TACs and quotas
– *Adoption (poss. "A" item)*
5. (poss.) Commission Communication on possible Community management action on eels
– *Policy debate*
6. Commission Communication on control and enforcement in Regional Fisheries Organisations
– *Council conclusions*
7. Commission proposal for a Council regulation on a recovery plan for the cod stocks in the North Sea and to the west of Scotland
– *Adoption*
8. (poss.) Technical conservation measures: Seventh amendment of Regulation No 850/98 for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms (Skagerrak and Kattegat)
– *Adoption*
9. Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament establishing a list of types of behaviour which seriously infringe the rules of the Common Fisheries Policy
– *Exchange of views*
10. (poss.) Bilateral fisheries agreements with third countries
– *Information*

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AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

29/30 JANUARY 2001

1. The Working Program of the Presidency
 - *Presentation by the Presidency*
2. BSE
 - *Information by the Commission and debate¹*

SCA ISSUES

3. Reform of the market regulation for olive oil, Council Regulation (EC) No 1638/98
 - *Presentation of the proposal by the Commission*
4. Simplification of CAP implementation
 - *Progress report/orientation debate*
5. A market regulation for ethyl alcohol
 - *Presentation of the proposal by the Commission*

COREPER ISSUES

6. Preparations for the first organisational meeting of the United Nations Forum of Forests and informal discussions on the multiyear programme of work for the UNFF
 - *Presidency information*
7. Report concerning the protection of animals during transport
 - *Prsentation/orientation debate*
8. (poss.) Plant Genetic Resources (FAO)
 - *Preparation of the Commission on Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture*
9. Minimum standards for the protection of pigs
 - *Presentation of the proposal*

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¹ It is foreseen that the BSE dossier will be treated at all Agriculture Councils during the Swedish Presidency.

AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

19/20 FEBRUARY 2001

SCA ISSUES

1. The state of the WTO negotiations
 - *Information from the Commission/debate*
2. Reform of the market regulation for sheep and goats, Council Regulation (EC) No 2467/98
 - *Presentation of the proposal by the Commission*

COREPER ISSUES

3. Regulation laying down the general principles and requirements of food law and establishing the European Food Authority
 - *Orientation debate/progress report*
4. Proposal on classical swine fever
 - *Adoption*

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AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

19/20 MARCH 2001

SCA ISSUES

1. Reform of the market regulation for sugar, Council Regulation (EC) No 2038/99
- *Adoption*
2. Reform of the market regulation for rice, Council Regulation (EC) No 3072/95
- *Adoption*
3. Reform of the market regulation for cotton, Council Regulation (EC) No 1554/95
- *Adoption*
4. Report concerning the market regulations for fruit and vegetables, Council Regulations (EC) No 2200/96, (EC) No 2201/96, (EC) No 2202/96
- *Conclusions on the Commission report*

COREPER ISSUES

5. Proposal for a regulation on laying down the rules for the prevention and control of certain TSE
- *Adoption*
6. Proposal for a regulation on hygiene
- *Progress report*
7. Minimum standards for the protection of pigs
- *Progress report*
8. Protection of animals during transport
- *Progress report*
9. Proposal for a Directive amending 96/22/EC concerning the prohibition on the use in stockfarming of certain substances having a hormonal or thyrostatic action and of Beta-Agonists
- *Common position*
10. Implications of the possible accession of the European Community to the revised European Convention for the Protection of Animals during International Transport
- *Adoption*

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AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

24/25 APRIL 2001

SCA ISSUES

1. Sustainable development in the Common agricultural policy (the Cardiff Process) in preparation for the Göteborg Summit
 - *Adoption of conclusions of the Council*
2. Simplification of CAP implementation
 - *Orientation debate*
3. (poss.) WTO
 - *Contribution on agriculture*
4. Reform of the market regulation for olive oil, Council Regulation (EC) No 1638/98
 - *Orientation debate*
5. Reform of the market regulation for sheep and goats, Council Regulation (EC) No 2467/98
 - *Orientation debate*

COREPER ISSUES

6. Regulation laying down the general principles and requirements of food law and establishing the European Food Authority
 - *Orientation debate/progress report*
7. Proposal for amending Directive 92/117/EEC on zoonoses
 - *Presentation by the Commission*
8. Traceability and labelling of GM-foodstuffs
 - *Progress report*

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AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

22/23 MAY 2001

SCA ISSUES

1. A market regulation for ethyl alcohol
- *Adoption*
2. (poss.) Protected designations of origin and protected geographical indications (PDO and PDI)
- *Orientation debate/adoption*
3. Simplification of CAP implementation
- *Adoption*

COREPER ISSUES

4. Proposal for amending Directive 79/373/EEC on the marketing of compound feeding stuffs
- *Adoption*
5. Proposal for amending Directive 95/53/EEC fixing the principles governing the organisation of official inspections in the field of animal nutrition
- *Adoption*
6. Proposal for amending Directives 90/667/EEC and 92/118/EEC on animal waste and derived products
- *Progress report*

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AGRICULTURE COUNCIL

19/20 JUNE 2001

SCA ISSUES

1. Reform of the market regulation for olive oil, Council Regulation (EC) No 1638/98
- *Adoption*
2. Reform of the market regulation for sheep and goats, Council Regulation (EC) No 2467/98
- *Adoption*
3. The protection of the community forests against forest fires, Council Regulation (EEC) No 2158/92,
The protection of the community forests against the atmospheric pollution, Council Regulation (EEC) No 3528/86,
- *Progress report/orientation debate*
4. (poss.) The implementation of member states' action programmes on control of EAGGF Guarantee Section expenditure, Council Regulation (EC) No 723/97
- *Adoption*

COREPER ISSUES

5. Minimum standards for the protection of pigs
- *Adoption*
6. Preparations for the first substantial session of the United Nations Forum on Forests
- *Progress report*
7. Directive on foot and mouth disease
- *Adoption*

