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Til underretning for Folketingets Europaudvalg vedlægges formandskabets hyrdebrev til møde i Det Europæiske Råd den 25.-26. marts 2004 i Bruxelles.

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draft annotated agenda we should be able to adopt the conclusions and conclude our session by 13.00hrs.

We will proceed immediately to a Family Photo for Heads of State or Government.

At 13.15 we will have a working lunch for Heads of State or Government and Foreign Ministers at which we will discuss some important current and international issues including Afghanistan, Cyprus, our Partnership with the Mediterranean and the Middle East and Kosovo. I would envisage the lunch concluding at 14.45.

Lunch will be followed by the usual Presidency Press Conference at the end of the European Council.

At 16.00 the Presidency, the Commission and the future Netherlands Presidency will meet their counterparts from the candidate countries for an exchange of views on the issues discussed at the European Council.

I look forward to meeting you in Brussels this coming Thursday and to achieving practical and positive results from our discussions

Yours sincerely

Bertie Ahern
President of the European Council