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NOTE

from: the General Secretariat
to: COREPER/General Affairs Council

Subject: European Council (17-18 October 2011)
- Annotated draft agenda

In accordance with Article 3(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the European Council, the President of the European Council, in close cooperation with the member of the European Council representing the Member State holding the six-monthly Presidency of the Council and with the President of the Commission, shall submit an annotated draft agenda to the General Affairs Council.

Delegations will find attached the annotated draft agenda submitted by the President of the European Council, setting out the main items the European Council is expected to address on 17-18 October 2011.

In the light of the final discussion to be held by the General Affairs Council within the five days preceding the European Council meeting, the President of the European Council shall draw up the provisional agenda.

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I. ECONOMIC POLICY

The European Council will discuss the **external aspects** of the Union's economic policy, in conjunction with the summits which will be taking place in the autumn and as part of the follow-up to its September 2010 conclusions. The focus will be on enhancing Europe's competitiveness in the world.

The European Council may also set orientations on other aspects of economic policy, particularly as regards **growth enhancing areas**.

II. G20

The European Council will set the European Union's position for the G20 summit to take place in Cannes on 3 and 4 November 2011.

III. CLIMATE CHANGE

The European Council will finalise the European Union's position for the Durban conference on climate change to be held from 28 November to 9 December 2011.
