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Subject: 2773rd MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION
(ENVIRONMENT)

Date: Monday 18 (10:00) December 2006

Venue: COUNCIL

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Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

1. Adoption of the provisional agenda

2. (poss.) Approval of the list of "A" items

3. Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Framework for Community Action in the field of Marine Environmental Policy (Marine Strategy Directive) (LA)(*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 175(1) of the Treaty)
 - Political agreement
(Public deliberation)
13759/05 ENV 496 MAR 150 CODEC 949

4. (poss.) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on type approval of motor vehicles with respect to emissions and on access to vehicle repair information, amending Directive 72/306/EEC and Directive .././EC (Euro 5) (LA)(*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 95 of the Treaty)
 - Political agreement
(Public deliberation)
5163/06 ENT 6 ENV 14 CODEC 15

5. Follow-up to the Twelfth Conference of the Parties (COP 12) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in conjunction with the second session of the Conference of the Parties serving as the meeting of the Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (COP/MOP 2) (Nairobi, 6-17 November 2006)
 - Council conclusions
 - Exchange of views

6. Halting the Loss of Biodiversity
 - Council conclusions
(Public debate)
9769/06 ENV 304 AGRI 188 DEVGEN 148 PI 34 FORETS 15 ONU 69

7. Genetically modified organisms
 - (a) Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the provisional prohibition of the use and sale in Austria of genetically modified maize (*Zea mays* L. line MON 810) pursuant to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (LA)(*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 23(2) of Directive 2001/18/EC)
 - (b) Proposal for a Council Decision concerning the provisional prohibition of the use and sale in Austria of genetically modified maize (*Zea mays* L. line T25) pursuant to Directive 2001/18/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (LA)(*)
(Legal basis proposed by the Commission: Article 23(2) of Directive 2001/18/EC)
 - Adoption
13764/06 AGRILEG 164 ENV 519
13767/06 AGRILEG 165 ENV 521

8. Any other business
- (a) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste (LA)
 - Progress report
(Public deliberation)
5050/06 ENV 5 CODEC 3

 - (b) Thematic strategy on the sustainable use of pesticides
 - Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a framework for Community action to achieve a sustainable use of pesticides (LA)
 - Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market (LA)
 - = Information by the Presidency
(Public deliberation)
11902/06 ENV 420 AGRI 264
11896/06 ENV 419 AGRI 263 CODEC 792
11755/06 AGRILEG 127 ENV 411 CODEC 773

 - (c) Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on environmental quality standards in the field of water policy and amending Directive 2000/60/EC (LA)
 - Information by the Presidency
(Public deliberation)
11816/06 ENV 415 CODEC 782

 - (d) External relations: Report from the Presidency/Commission on the results of EU-Third country meetings
 - EU-US High-Level Dialogue on Climate Change, Clean Energy and Sustainable Development (Helsinki, 24-25 October 2006)
 - EU-Ukraine Summit (Helsinki, 27 October 2006)
 - Euro-Mediterranean Ministerial Conference on the Environment (Cairo, 20 November 2006)
 - EU-Russia Summit (Helsinki, 24 November 2006)
 - Northern Dimension Summit (Helsinki, 24 November 2006)

 - (e) Communication from the Commission to the Council, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions
 - Building a global carbon market – Report pursuant to Article 30 of Directive 2003/87/EC
 - = Information from the Commission
15585/06 ENV 630 MI 198 IND 91 ENER 286

 - (f) Eighth Conference of the Parties to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and Their Disposal (Nairobi, 27 November to 1 December 2006)
 - Information from the Presidency/Commission

- (g) (poss.) Communication on the results of the review of the Community Strategy to reduce CO₂ emissions from cars
 - Information from the Commission
- (h) Information from the Commission on European action on water scarcity and drought
 - Requested by the Portuguese and Spanish delegations
- (i) The need for a gradual substitution of phosphate in detergents
 - Requested by the Swedish delegation
- (j) Foreseeable impact of the Community mercury strategy on the Almadén Region
 - Requested by the Spanish delegation
- (k) Conference on the Environment (Paris, 2-3 February 2007)
 - Requested by the French delegation



(LA) Legislative act.

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

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