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The 2794th session of the Council of the European Union - **JUSTICE and HOME AFFAIRS** - will take place on 19 and 20 April 2007 (10.00), at the Conference Centre - FIL, in Luxembourg, under the Presidency of **Mr Wolfgang SCHÄUBLE**, Federal Minister of the Interior and **Ms Brigitte ZYPRIES**, Federal Minister of Justice of Germany.

The following points will be discussed at this session :

Thursday, 19 April 2007

- Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) n° 2201/2003 as regards jurisdiction and introducing rules concerning applicable law in matrimonial matters (Rome III)
- Proposal for a Council Regulation on jurisdiction, applicable law, recognition and enforcement of judgements and cooperation in matters relating to maintenance obligations
 - agreement on certain guidelines
- Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome I) (***Public deliberation***)
 - agreement on certain issues
- Proposal for a Council Framework Decision on combating racism and xenophobia
 - general approach
- Proposal for a Council Framework Decision on certain procedural rights in criminal proceedings throughout the European Union
 - general approach
- European Contract Law
 - discussion on further proceedings

Friday, 20 April 2007

- Europol
 - Implementation of the protocols
 - Future of Europol (state of play)
- Visa Information System (VIS)
 - (a) Draft Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Visa Information System (VIS) and the exchange of data Member States on short stay visas (***Public deliberation***).
 - Report by the Presidency on outcome of Trialogue with the European Parliament and the Commission, 28 March
 - discussion of certain issues.
 - (b) Draft Council Decision concerning access for consultation of the Visa Information System (VIS) by designated authorities of member States and by Europol for the purposes of the prevention, detection and investigation of terrorist offences and of other serious criminal offences
- Refugee situation in Iraq and neighbouring countries
- Global Approach on Migration
 - Report by the Commission on the state of play of the Communications announced for May 2007

(10.00): Mixed Committee at Ministerial level (in the margins of the Council)

- Schengen Information System: State of play SISone4all, Network, SIS II
- FRONTEX
 - (a) Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a mechanism for the creation of Rapid Border Intervention Teams and amending Council Regulation (EC) 2007/2004 as regards that mechanism
 - State of play updated by the Presidency
 - (b)
 - Centralised register of technical equipment ("toolbox")
 - European Patrols Network
 - European Surveillance System
 - Report by the Commission and FRONTEX
- Draft Framework Decision on Data Protection in the context of police and Judicial Co-operation between Member States
 - State of play updated by the Presidency
- Visa Information System (VIS)
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