



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**

LEGAL SERVICE

The Director-General

Brussels, 29 September 2003

To the Permanent Representatives
to the European Union
and the Heads of Mission of the Accession States
and the Candidate Countries

Subject: Organisation of the work of the IGC Working Party of Legal Experts

Sir,

Please find enclosed a note informing you about the organisation of the work of the IGC Working Party of Legal Experts.

A preparatory document will be sent to delegations on 6 October. The Working Party's first meeting will be held at 14.00 on Thursday 9 October and will continue on Friday 10 October.

Yours faithfully,

Jean-Claude PIRIS

Enclosure

IGC
Legal Experts

- Aim: legal verification of a master copy in a basic language of the text of the draft Treaty establishing the Constitution.
- Composition: legal experts from the 15 Member States, the 10 acceding States, observers from Romania, Bulgaria, Turkey and the European Parliament = 1 + 1 (1 person at the table and 1 behind) + experts from the Commission Legal Service and the Council Legal Service.
- Chairman: Director-General of the Council Legal Service or, in his absence, a Director in the Council Legal Service.
- Venue: Room 70.5 (without interpretation).
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FORWARD TIMETABLE

- Preparatory document sent to delegations on Monday 6 October.
- Meetings: whole day from 10.00:
 - Thursday 9 October (14.00)
 - Friday 10 October
 - Wednesday 15 October
 - Monday 20 October
 - Tuesday 21 October (15.00)
 - Friday 24 October
 - Wednesday 29 October (if necessary)
 - Friday 31 October (if necessary)
- Work will then continue, following the report from the Commission, on the legal verification of the other Protocols and Accession Treaties.
