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Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and Asylum (SCIFA) - Mixed

Committee (UE-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)

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To: Delegations

Subject: Summary of discussions

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1. Programme of the Presidency

The **Chair** presented the programme of the Presidency for the first half of 2016, the main features of which were already outlined at the meeting held on 10 December 2015 (15329/15).

2. Implementation of the Global Approach

The **Commission** referred to the GAMM update, which outlines the state of play of dialogues and processes under the Global Approach (the GAMM update is set up in the Annex to this Note). Specific information was provided on the following items:

- By the Commission, on the outcome of the High Level Meeting on the Mobility
 Partnership EU-Armenia, held in Brussels on 9 December 2015;
- By HU and the Commission, on the outcome of the Senior Officials meeting of the Budapest Process, held in Budapest on 14-15 December 2015.

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3. Dialogues on Migration, Mobility and Security

The **Commission** and **EEAS** provided information on the most recent developments of the dialogue concerning Lebanon and the **Group** had an exchange of views on the possible establishment of a Mobility Partnership. Delegations were given a deadline until 22 January to submit possible written comments.

4. Common Agendas on Migration and Mobility (CAMM)

The **Commission** provided information on the state of play of the implementation of the CAMM with Ethiopia.

5. Tailor-made country packages: strategic discussion

The **Group** had a strategic discussion on the tailor-made country packages, on the basis of a presentation made by the **Commission** and **EEAS**.

The debate focused on the following issues: migration horizontal aspects in all the tailor-made packages; priority countries; possible leverages. The **Group** welcomed the approach and the suggestions of the **EEAS** and the **Commission services**. The follow-up will take place in the HLWG and will also be discussed in the relevant geographical Council working parties.

The **Chair** stressed that the Presidency attaches the greatest importance to this subject and underlined the need to involve Member States in the work required for the development of tailor-made country packages by EEAS and the Commission.

Following the agreement by Member States, the **Chair**, in close cooperation with the Commission and EEAS, will define a short list of priority countries. This list will be submitted to the Member States for endorsement.

Following this endorsement, a consultation will be organised, with the objective of making a thorough assessment of the possible content of these packages for the selected priority countries.

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Finally, the **Chair** invited Member States to start liaising with all the competent national administrations in view of this consultation.

The subject of the tailor-made country packages will be further addressed at the next HLWG meeting.

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6. Trio of Presidencies' initiative: strategic coordination in the area of migration (NL, SK and MT)

Following a debate, broad endorsement was expressed by **delegations** on the geographic and thematic priorities for the Council preparatory bodies in the area of migration for the present Trio of Presidencies outlined in the Presidency paper (5135/16). A revised paper will be submitted to COREPER and Council for final agreement.

7. Follow-up to the High-Level Conference on the Eastern Mediterranean/Western Balkans route (8 October 2015)

Following interventions by the **Commission** and the **EEAS**, as well as by the **former Luxembourg Presidency** on the EU-Western Balkans Ministerial Forum on Justice and Home Affairs of 7-8 December, a debate took place on the measures and policies to be adopted and implemented in order to ensure the follow-up to the Declaration adopted on 8 October 2015 (docs. 12876/15 and 15423/15 + ADD 1).

Stressing that this subject is amongst the priorities of its work programme, the **Chair** concluded that it will liaise with the EEAS and the Commission in relation to the organisation of a follow-up meeting.

8. Follow-up to the Valletta Summit on migration (11-12 November 2015)

Following interventions by the **Commission** and the **EEAS**, a debate took place on the measures and policies to be adopted and implemented in order to ensure the follow-up to the Action Plan and Political Declaration adopted in La Valletta on 12 November 2015 (docs. 14146/15 and 14145/15).

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On that occasion, the Chair of the HLWG also reported to SCIFA on the discussions in the preceding HLWG on the tailor-made country packages.

The Chair stressed that the monitoring of the follow-up to the Valletta Summit will be one of the subjects included regularly in the agendas of the HLWG and SCIFA meetings.

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9. Follow-up to the EU-Turkey Joint Action Plan

Following interventions by the Commission and the EEAS, a debate took place on the measures and policies to be adopted and implemented in order to ensure the follow-up to the above joint action plan.

In the framework of this item, EL provided information on the outcome of the meeting of the Greek-Turkish committee on the implementation of the bilateral readmission protocol, held in Athens on 21-22 December 2015.

The **Chair** stressed that the monitoring of the follow-up to the Joint Action Plan EU-Turkey will be one of the subjects included regularly in the agendas of the HLWG and SCIFA meetings.

10. Implementation of the EU-Pakistan readmission agreement

Following interventions by the Commission and the EEAS, a debate took place on the state of play of the implementation of the EU-Pakistan readmission agreement.

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