

Explanatory Meeting on the Acquis with Albania and North Macedonia

Agenda for 31 - Foreign, security and defence policy

Date: 26 September 2019

Venue: Lord Jenkins Room, Charlemagne Building

Chair: Marc Jorna (DG NEAR)

9:00-18:00

| Time | Subject | <i>Acquis</i> references | Speakers |
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| 8:30 | Arrival of participants and welcome coffee | | |
| 9:00 | OPENING & INTRODUCTION | <p>Welcome and opening remarks by the Chair – Marc Jorna (NEAR)</p> <p>Introductory statement by Elsa Fenet, Head of the Western Balkans Division, EEAS</p> <p>Introductory statement by Mr Sokol Dedja, Deputy Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Albania</p> <p>Introductory statement by Mr Bojan Marichikj, Chief Negotiator, North Macedonia</p> | <p>DG NEAR</p> <p>EEAS</p> <p>Delegation of Albania</p> <p>Delegation of North Macedonia</p> |
| INSTITUTIONS AND DECISION MAKING PROCESS | | | |
| 9:30 | CFSP/CSDP institutional actors | Treaty on European Union, Articles 18, 26, 27, 33, 38, 45. | <p>EEAS</p> <p>Gert-Jan Vanhegelsom, Head of Division, and</p> |

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| | | | | Simona Popan, SG.AFFGEN.3, |
| 9:45 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 10:00 | CFSP/CSDP legal instruments and procedures | Treaty on European Union, Articles 25, 28, 29, 30, 31, 37; 42, 43, 46. Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 218. | EEAS | Gert-Jan Vanhegelsom, Head of Division, and Simona Popan, SG.AFFGEN.3, |
| 10:15 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 10:30 | COFFEE BREAK | | | |
| 10:45 | Institutional framework (European Council, Foreign Affairs Council, Political & Security Committee/Working groups), instruments (declarations, statements, alignment) and EU local cooperation | Treaty on European Union, Articles 13-16, 38; Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 216(1), 218(3); European Council Decision on the exercise of the Presidency of the Council, Official Journal L315, 2 Dec 2009. | EEAS | Vladimir Janecek, SG.AFFGEN.1 |
| 11:00 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 11:15 | Political dialogue with third countries; Human Rights Dialogue; | Treaty on European Union, Article 27. | EEAS | Baiba Aleksejuka-Tavaresa, European Correspondent Nadia Costantini, Deputy Head of Division Global 1 |

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| 11:30 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 11:45 | CFSP budget | Treaty on European Union, Article 41; Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 317; Financial Regulation applicable for the general budget of the EU; OJ L 193 30.07.2018 p.1; Inter-Institutional Agreement (IIA) between the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission on budgetary discipline and sound financial management; Part II, G: financing of CFSP [11838/3]. | FPI | Ronan Mac Aongusa, acting Head of Unit, FPI.1 |
| 12:00 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 12:15 | LUNCH | | | |
| CFSP AND CSDP IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES | | | | |
| 14:00 | EU policy on restrictive measures (sanctions) | Treaty on European Union, Article 29; Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 215. EU Best Practices for the effective implementation of restrictive measures, https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-8519-2018-INIT/en/pdf ; Guidelines on implementation and evaluation of restrictive measures (sanctions) in the framework of the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy, https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-5664-2018-INIT/en/pdf . | EEAS FPI | Cecile Abadie, Deputy Head of Division SG.AFFGEN7, Alina Nedea and Albert Straver, FPI.5 |
| 14:15 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |

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| 14:30 | Conflict prevention | <p>Treaty on European Union, Article 21, 42, 43;</p> <p>Council Conclusions on the Integrated Approach to External Conflicts and Crises, 22 January 2018, https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/sites/devco/files/2018-01-cn1_conclusions_on_ia.pdf</p> <p>The EU Integrated Approach to external conflicts and crises - EEAS-Commission services Issues Paper for PSC, EEAS/COM(2017)8, 2 June 2017</p> <p>Joint Staff Working Document “EU conflict Early Warning System: Objectives, Process and Guidance for Implementation – 2017” SWD(2017) 282 final, 27 July 2017, https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/sites/devco/files/swd-eu-conflict-early-warning-system-2017_en.pdf</p> <p>A Global Strategy for the European Union’s Foreign And Security Policy 2016, http://eeas.europa.eu/archives/docs/top_stories/pdf/eugs_review_web.pdf</p> <p>Joint Communication to the European Parliament and the Council: The EU's comprehensive approach to external conflict and crises- JOIN/2013/030 final (replaced by Integrated Approach in 2017), https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/en/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A52013JC0030</p> <p>Council conclusions on conflict prevention of 20 June 2011, http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/122911.pdf;</p> <p>EU Concept on Strengthening EU Mediation and Dialogue Capacities, November 2009; http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/conflict_prevention/docs/concept_strengthening_eu_med_en.pdf;</p> <p>Council conclusions on security and development, November 2007;</p> | EEAS | Rene Van Nes, acting Head of Division ISP.2 |
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| | | <p>Council Conclusions on a EU response to situations of fragility, 19-20 November 2007, http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_Data/docs/pressdata/en/gena/97177.pdf;</p> <p>European Security Strategy, 12 December 2003, and Implementation Report, 11 December 2008, http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cmsUpload/78367.pdf, http://www.eu-un.europa.eu/documents/en/081211_EU%20Security%20Strategy.pdf;</p> <p>EU Programme for the Prevention of Violent Conflict (Goteborg Programme), 2001</p> | | |
| 14:45 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 15:00 | Non-proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destructions / Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Strategy | <p>EU strategy against proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 12 December 2003; http://register.consilium.europa.eu/doc/srv?l=EN&f=ST%2015708%202003%20INIT;</p> <p>EU strategy against proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, 2018; http://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-13581-2018-INIT/en/pdf</p> <p>Council Common Position 2008/944/CFSP of 8 December 2008 defining common rules governing control of exports of military technology and equipment, OJ L 335, 13.12.2008, p. 99;</p> <p>Council Regulation No 428/2009 of 5 May 2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items, OJ L 134, 29.5.2009, p.1.</p> | EEAS | Lene Rietveld, SECDEFPOL.4 |
| 15:15 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 15:30 | Counter terrorism | <p>The European Union Counter-Terrorism Strategy (Council 14469/4/05 REV 4 LIMITE), 30 November 2005;</p> | EEAS | Joel Schuyer, SECDEFPOL.3 |

The fight against terrorist financing (Council 16089/04), 14 December 2004; Revised Strategy on Terrorist Financing (Council 11778/08), 11 July 2008;

The European Union Strategy for Combating Radicalisation and Recruitment to Terrorism (Council 14781/1/05) REV1, 24 November 2005;

EU Action Plan on Combating Terrorism (Council 15358/09), 26 November 2009;

Council conclusions on a European Union Strategy for Security and Development in the Sahel (Foreign Affairs Council meeting Brussels, 21 March 2011)

Council conclusions on a Strategic Framework for the Horn of Africa (Council 16858/11), 14 November 2011;

EU Counter-Terrorism / Security Strategy on Pakistan (Council 11045/1/12 REV 1 LIMITE), 21 August 2012;

Joint Communication to the Council: EU Counter-terrorism Action Plan for the Horn of Africa and Yemen (JOIN/2012/024 final).

Council Conclusions on Counter-Terrorism (Council 6048/15), 9 February 2015

DIRECTIVE (EU) 2015/849 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 20 May 2015 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing, OJ L 141, 5.6.2015, p.73

Council Conclusions on EU External Action on Counter-terrorism (Council 10384/17), 19 June 2017

DIRECTIVE (EU) 2018/843 OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 30 May 2018 amending Directive (EU) 2015/849 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing, OJ L 156, 19.6.2018, p.43

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| 16:00 | COFFEE BREAK | | | |
| 16:15 | Cooperation with international organisations | <p>Treaty on European Union, Articles 21, 34;</p> <p>Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Article 220;</p> <p>Council Decision 2011/168/CFSP of 21 March 2011 on the International Criminal Court and repealing Common Position 2003/444/CFSP</p> <p>EU action to strengthen rules-based multilateralism: https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/39791/st10341-en19.pdf</p> <p>EU priorities at the United Nations and the 74th United Nations General Assembly (September 2019 – September 2020): http://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-10895-2019-INIT/en/pdf</p> | EEAS | Gwenda Jeffreys-Jones, Deputy Head of Division GLOBAL.6 |
| 16:30 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 16:45 | Security measures (classified information) | <p>Council Decision 2013/488/EU of 23 September 2013 on the security rules for protecting EU classified information, OJ L 274, 15.10.2013;</p> <p>Agreement between the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the European Union on the security procedures for the exchange of classified information (OJ L 094,13.4.2005, p.39)</p> <p>Agreement between the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Albania and the European Union on security procedures for exchanging and protecting classified information (OJ L 74, 19.3.2016, p. 3–7)</p> | EEAS | BA.SI.2, Emilio Delfini, EEAS Security Policy and Awareness Sector |
| 17:00 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 17:15 | CSDP missions and operations | Treaty on European Union, Articles 42-46. | EEAS | Oliver Hall Allen, Deputy |

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| | PESCO | Articles 42(6) and 46 and Protocol 10 of the Treaty on European Union. Council decision (CFSP) 2017/2315 | EEAS | Head of Division ISPD3 Arnout Molenaar (HoD) or Arnaud Migoux (HoS) SECDEFPOL |
| 17:30 | <i>Questions and Answers</i> | | | |
| 17:45 | <i>Closing remarks DG NEAR</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marc JORNA – Chair • Michela MATUELLA – Head of Unit, NEAR D4 • David CULLEN – Head of Unit, NEAR D3 | | | |

Links for chapter 31

Consolidated versions of the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/JOHtml.do?uri=OJ:C:2010:083:SOM:EN:HTML>

Common Foreign and Security Policy

http://eeas.europa.eu/cfsp/index_en.htm

Non-proliferation, disarmament and export control

http://eeas.europa.eu/non-proliferation-and-disarmament/index_en.htm

Human Rights

https://eeas.europa.eu/topics/human-rights-democracy_en

International and Regional Organisations

http://eeas.europa.eu/organisations/index_en.htm

EU around the world

http://eeas.europa.eu/around/index_en.htm

European Neighbourhood Policy

http://eeas.europa.eu/enp/index_en.htm

Conflict Prevention, Peace building and Mediation

https://eeas.europa.eu/topics/conflict-prevention-peace-building-and-mediation_en

Security and Defence -CSDP

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