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Delegations will find in <u>Annex</u> a drafting proposal, submitted by the <u>Italian delegation</u>, regarding point 25c of the draft Council conclusions on the enhanced patent system in Europe (15695/09 ADD 1).

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Italian Suggestion for the Council Conclusions on an enhanced patent system in Europe

25c. The Community Patent Regulation should be accompanied by a separate regulation, which should govern the translation arrangements for the Community patent adopted by the Council with unanimity in accordance with Article 118 second subparagraph of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. The Community Patent Regulation should come into force together with the separate regulation on the translation arrangements for the Community patent.

The translation arrangements will take into account the "acquis communitaire" while preserving the need of a highly simplified, cost effective and affordable system wich should also guarantee the needs of SME's and micro enterprises, in particular for what concern a fair access to justice and affordable Court fees.

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