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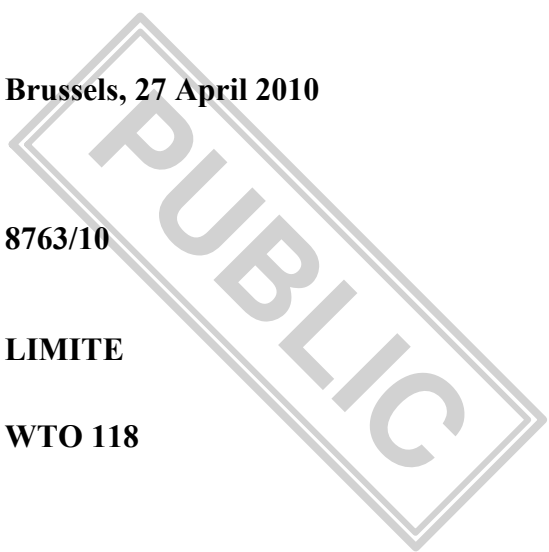
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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

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1. WTO issues

1.1. DDA

DELETED. The Commission also informed the Committee on the items that could possibly be included in the agenda of the upcoming WTO General Council, **DELETED**.

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The Presidency concluded that the Committee had discussed the state of play of the negotiations on the DDA and the preparations of the impending WTO General Council on 4-5 May. **DELETED**. The Presidency invited the Commission to distribute a document on the TPR of China for comments from Member States.

1.2. WTO Dispute Settlement

The Commission reported on recent developments in WTO dispute settlement cases.

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2. Bilateral/Regional Issues

2.1. EU-India FTA negotiations (28-30 April 2010, Brussels): preparations

The Commission informed the Committee about the preparations for the 9th round of EU-India FTA negotiations. **DELETED**

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2.2. EU-LAC Summit: preparation of trade aspects (Madrid, 18 May)

The Committee discussed the preparations of the trade aspects of the upcoming EU-LAC Summit scheduled for 18 May 2010. The discussion focused on the language of the trade parts of the draft Joint Declaration, **DELETED**.

Following the discussion, the Presidency concluded that the Committee had analysed the trade aspects of the EU-LAC Summit. **DELETED**

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Concerning the EU-Mexico Action Plan, the Presidency invited delegations to send their comments on m.ds. 221/10 and 223/10 by 27 April 2010 cob. **DELETED**. The item will be discussed at the next Trade Policy Committee Full Members.

2.3. Eastern Partnership: preparations of the 3rd meeting of Platform 2 on "Economic Integration and Convergence with EU Policies"(Brussels, 7 May 2010)

The Commission reported on the recent developments regarding the Eastern Partnership (EaP) Platform on Economic Integration and Convergence with EU Policies, and the preparations of the third Platform's meeting to be held on 7 May in Brussels (m.d. 222/10). **DELETED**.

2.4. EU-Korea: proposals for Council decisions on the signature and conclusion of the FTA

The Commission presented its proposals for Council decisions authorising the signature and provisional application, and the conclusion of the EU-Korea FTA. The Commission also presented m.d. 219/10 **DELETED**

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2.5. EU-Egypt: Initialling of a Protocol on Dispute Settlement with Egypt

Written report, not discussed.

3. ACTA: Debrief of the 8th round of negotiations (New Zealand, 21-26 April 2010)

The Commission debriefed the Committee on the outcome of the negotiations at the New Zealand round and referred to the release to the public on 21 April of the consolidated ACTA text, following a collective decision by all negotiating partners. **DELETED**. The next negotiating round is scheduled to take place in Switzerland in June 2010.

DELETED. In response to requests by delegations, the Presidency informed the Committee that preparatory work in view of the next round will continue in a Friends of the Presidency meeting (on a date to be confirmed), while ACTA will also appear in the agenda of the meetings of the Working Party on Customs Union on 27 April and the Working Party on Intellectual Property (Copyright) on 19 May 2010.

The Presidency concluded that the Committee had been informed of the outcome of the 8th round of negotiations on ACTA. The next round will take place in Lucerne, Switzerland on 28 June to 1 July 2010. **DELETED**. Delegations will be kept informed of forthcoming meetings for the EU preparation in view of the next negotiating round; such preparation will take place in close cooperation with the future Belgian Presidency. The Commission will provide a written report on the outcome of the New Zealand round.

4. AOB

None.
