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The meeting opened at 16.45 on Wednesday, 26 March 2008, with Jonathan Evans (Chairman) in the chair.

1. Adoption of the draft agenda

The draft agenda (PE 403.235) was adopted without modifications.

2. Communications by the Chairman

The Chairman informed Members about some very important EU/US meetings:

- EU-US Justice and Home Affairs Ministerial Troika Meeting which took place at Brdo (Slovenia) from 11 to 13 March 2008;

- the meeting of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE Committee) scheduled on 27 March 2008 with the participation of Mr. Dragutin Mate, Slovenian Minister of the Interior and President of the Justice and Home Affairs Council of the EU;

- the second meeting of the EU-U.S. High Level Dialogue on Climate Change, Clean Energy and Sustainable Development which took place in Washington, D.C. on March 7;

- the next TEC meeting that will take place in Brussels on 13 May; with this occasion the Commission will make a Statement in I May Plenary following by a debate on a tabled resolution on TEC activities;

- the next TLD Steering Committee meeting scheduled on 1 April 2008, in order to examine the contributions of the relevant Committees to the mentioned TEC resolution;

- the meeting of the TEC Advisory Group with the Commissioner Verheugen in order to prepare the 13 May TEC meeting;

The Chairman informed Members also about the recent decease of Tom Lantos, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the House and the election of a new Chair in the person of Mr. Howard Berman.

3. Exchange of views with Mr Marc Vanheukelen, Head of Unit for Relations with the United States and Canada (DG RELEX)

The Chairman welcomed Mr Marc Vanheukelen who shared to the Members his view on recent developments concerning EU-US relations. He informed the participants of the last developments in the context of the last Ministerial Troika of 6 of March, TEC process, scheduled on 13 May 2008 and the forthcoming Summit which should take place on 10 June 2008. The topics related to these meetings are: energy security, climate change, visa waiver, economic cooperation (bilateral and global) and relationship with Russia, Iran, Afghanistan, Middle East and Iraq.

4. Preparations for the 64th EP/US Congress Interparliamentary meeting (TLD), Ljubljana, 24-26 May 2008

The Chairman informed Members on the state of play of the preparations for the forthcoming EP/US Congress interparliamentary meeting and invited the Members to express their intention of participation.

With regard of the draft agenda of this meeting, the Chairman pointed the issues which have

been named to be discussed by:

- US side: Middle East, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Palestine, Israel;
- EU side: relations with Russia, energy security, economy (TEC process), containers aspects, safety standards, investments, terrorism, visa waiver, integration of minorities;

The Chairman invited Members to express some others priorities as regards the agenda of the meeting in order to have at the end a draft agenda agreed by both sides.

The following Members participated in the discussions: Philip Bradbourn, Corina Cretu, Kuhne Helmut, Sarah Ludford, Marie-Helene Descamps, Brian Crowley, Daniel Daianu.

The topics raised by them were: US containers scanning law, energy security, visa matters, Iran, integration of minorities, transportation (carry of liquids between US-EU), World Trade Organization Talks, economic issues.

5. Any other business

None

6. Date and place for the next meeting

The next meeting was scheduled for 15 May 2008 at 9.00.

The meeting closed at 17.45

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Philip Bradbourn, Nicodim Bulzesc, Corina Crețu, Brian Crowley, Daniel Dăianu, Marie-Hélène Descamps, Romana Jordan Cizelj, Christoph Konrad, Helmut Kuhne, Sarah Ludford, Francisco José Millán Mon, Atanas Paparizov
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Cristian Silviu Bușoi, James Elles, Urszula Gacek, James Nicholson

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Paul Rübige
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