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Brussels, 29 March 2006  
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Annexe: Record of attendance

The meeting opened at 11.30 a.m. with Mr Evans in the Chair.

## **1. Adoption of the draft agenda**

It was decided that item 5 (Preparations for the 61st TLD) would be taken together with item 3 (Communications by the Chair). With this modification, the draft agenda was adopted.

## **2. Adoption of the draft minutes of the meeting on 23 February 2006 (PE 370.6022)**

Mr. Bradbourn asked that the minutes refer to his request of written information by the Commission on aviation security issues. Mr Wiegand (Commission) indicated that a written reply by Director Wright was on its way and provided an advance copy.

The draft minutes were subsequently adopted.

## **3. Communications by the Chairman**

and

### **5. Preparations for the TLD 61st interparliamentary EP/US Congress IPM – Vienna, 18-21 April 2006**

The Chairman indicated that Members had received a draft programme and a draft agenda for this meeting. He gave details on the various meetings with VIPs envisaged.

He thanked in particular colleague Mr Rübig, for making sure that both the Delegation and the US Representatives would receive a warm welcome in Austria.

He remarked that the draft agenda was the result of negotiations with the US side, and whenever possible Members should try and fit in their interest within existing items. Members interested to act as "first speakers" on any subject should contact the Secretariat of the Delegation as soon as possible.

The following took part in the discussion: Rübig, Guardans Cambó, Gomes, Brok, Lambrinidis, Pinior, Purvis, and the Chairman. The following possibilities were mentioned:

- involving OSCE and IAEA representatives in discussions of the various agenda items, and inviting them to the social functions
- holding a future "TLD workshop" on Iran
- discussing the recent institution of the UN Council of human rights

## **4. Information by the Commission**

Mr Gunnar Wiegand, head of unit responsible for the US desk in DG RELEX, informed the Delegation of latest developments in EU/US relations, and in particular on preparations for the next EU/US Summit, which would take place in June 2006.

He indicated that the Summit would, most likely, adopt a very simple Declaration, accompanied by

- a progress report on the Economic initiative,

- a document on political cooperation and democracy promotion,
- agreements on air services as well as on higher education and vocational training.

Discussions on a wide range of subjects in the Security, Development, Human rights, Energy areas would also take place.

The following took part in the discussion: the Chairman, Guardans Cambo, Purvis, Pinior.

Mr. Wiegand gave information on the following subjects:

- technology transfer
- cooperation on Kosovo and Belarus
- state of play regarding the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and investment barriers (in particular the Dubai port affair), government procurement

## **6. Any other business**

None

## **7. Date and place of the next meeting**

The next meeting will take place in Strasbourg, Thursday 6 April, 9.45-10.45 (subject to authorisation by the Conference of Presidents).

The meeting closed at 12.30.

**DELTAGERLISTE/ANWESENHEITSLISTE/ΚΑΤΑΣΤΑΣΗ ΠΑΡΟΝΤΩΝ/LIITE RECORD  
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Anwesend	Medlemmer/Mitglieder/Μέλη/Members/Diputados/Députés/Deputati/Leden/Deputados/Jäsenet/Ledamöter: Philip BRADBURN, Elmar BROK, Marie-Hélène DESCAMPS, Maciej Marian GIERTYCH, Helmut KUHNE, Stavros LAMBRINIDIS, Pier Antonio PANZERI, Józef PINIOR
Παρόντες	Stedfortrædere/Stellvertreter/Αναπληρωτές/Substitutes/Suplentes/Suppléants/Membri supplenti/ Plaatsvervangers/ Membros suplentes/Varajäsenet/Suppleanter:
Present	James NICHOLSON, Godelieve QUISTHOUDT-ROWOHL, Peter ŠTASTNÝ, Ana Maria GOMES, Ignasi GUARDANS CAMBÓ, Karin RIIS-JØRGENSEN,
Presentes	
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Aanwezig	
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Närvarande	
Art. 178,2	
Art. 183,3	Paul RÜBIG, John PURVIS, James ELLES,
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WIEGAND  
Cour des comptes:

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