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Tal y como anunció en su Comunicación de 16 de marzo de 2005 sobre «Legislar mejor para potenciar el crecimiento y el empleo en la Unión Europea»¹ la Comisión ha decidido introducir un cambio decisivo en la manera en que pretende garantizar que la calidad de la legislación en Europa fomente los objetivos de la Asociación para el crecimiento y el empleo.

Para incrementar la competitividad europea, es preciso que el entorno normativo de la Unión Europea sea de la mayor calidad posible. Para alcanzar este objetivo, debe simplificarse y actualizarse el «acervo comunitario», que es la legislación existente, siempre que sea necesario; para ello, están previstas una serie de medidas, entre las que se encuentra la puesta en marcha de una nueva fase del programa de simplificación en octubre de 2005.

La Comisión también ha decidido que el concepto «legislar mejor» debe integrarse en el diseño de las políticas y que las nuevas propuestas legislativas presentadas por la Comisión deberían intentar promover dicho concepto y contribuir a la competitividad. La aplicación práctica de este objetivo supone, entre otras cosas, que las nuevas iniciativas legislativas se someten ahora a una evaluación de impacto como se anunció en el programa legislativo y de trabajo de la Comisión para 2005, para el que se aprobaron recientemente unas orientaciones amplias y detalladas².

Por lo que respecta a las propuestas presentadas por la Comisión en el pasado y aún pendientes en proceso legislativo, la Comunicación de marzo manifestaba que la Comisión se propone «examinar las propuestas pendientes ante el Consejo o el Parlamento en relación con su importancia general, su impacto en la competitividad y otros efectos». Los objetivos, proceso y resultados de dicho ejercicio de examen, que es el primero de este tipo, se presentan en la presente Comunicación.

1. Objetivos del examen de las propuestas pendientes

El ejercicio de examen tenía como objetivo que la Comisión pueda garantizar que todas las propuestas legislativas pendientes sean plenamente coherentes con las prioridades políticas de la Comisión y comprobar si la modificación de algunas circunstancias justifica la revisión del enfoque inicial.

Cuando se ha considerado necesaria una revisión, el ejercicio de examen también ha definido las medidas apropiadas que debían adoptarse, como la modificación, la sustitución o la retirada de propuestas pendientes, mejorando la evaluación de su impacto.

Más en concreto, el ejercicio de examen tenía como objetivo analizar las propuestas pendientes en tres ámbitos:

¹ COM(2005) 97.

² SEC(2005) 791.

En primer lugar, se examinaron las propuestas pendientes desde el punto de vista de su coherencia con los objetivos comunitarios de Lisboa y en particular con el objetivo de fomentar la competitividad. Los criterios utilizados para evaluar las propuestas a este respecto fueron las que se especifican en el ‘test de competitividad’ que forma parte de las orientaciones de evaluación de impacto recientemente revisadas³.

En segundo lugar, se analizaron las propuestas pendientes para comprobar si faltaban avances sustanciales en el proceso legislativo durante un periodo significativo de tiempo. En esos casos, se examinaron asimismo las razones de la lentitud de los avances y las posibilidades de desbloquear esa situación.

En tercer lugar, se examinaron las propuestas pendientes para determinar si satisfacían las exigencias actuales del concepto «legislar mejor», especialmente en relación con las oportunas evaluaciones de impacto. Este criterio afecta en concreto a las propuestas presentadas cuando las evaluaciones de impacto no constituían una exigencia formal.

2. Proceso del ejercicio de examen

Al comienzo del ejercicio de examen, en abril de 2005, la cantidad total de propuestas pendientes ascendía a 489⁴. El ejercicio definido por la Comunicación de marzo se limitó expresamente a las propuestas pendientes fechadas con anterioridad al 1 de enero de 2004, lo cual ascendía a 183 propuestas.

Las propuestas fueron sometidas a una minuciosa evaluación que dio lugar a la definición de unas 100 propuestas que constituyen verdaderas nuevas iniciativas legislativas y que se evaluaron más en profundidad por los posibles efectos adversos sobre la competitividad y los efectos económicos más amplios. El resto consta de propuestas que pueden tener un impacto limitado o nulo sobre competitividad y que hacen referencia principalmente a las propuestas derivadas de los compromisos internacionales o que constituyen adaptaciones del acervo al progreso científico y técnico. Asimismo, algunas de esas propuestas contribuyen directamente a «legislar mejor» ya que codifican o simplifican el acervo.

3. Resultados del ejercicio de examen

Siguiendo un detallado análisis de todas las propuestas pendientes, la Comisión ha previsto dos grandes tipos de acción:

(1) Retirada de propuestas. La Comisión se propone retirar en total 68 propuestas. Se considera que esas propuestas no son coherentes con los objetivos de Lisboa o con los principios de «legislar mejor», han progresado insuficientemente en el proceso legislativo o han perdido actualidad⁵ (por ejemplo: porque ya se han alcanzado o se van a alcanzar los objetivos por otros medios). Algunas de esas propuestas se pueden reconsiderar a la luz de nuevos análisis. En determinados casos, la Comisión se propone reconsiderar la necesidad de una intervención legislativa a la luz de los resultados de una evaluación de impacto global.

³ Véase la nota 2 a pie de página.

⁴ De hecho, la Comisión trata, cada año, un volumen de unas 200/250 propuestas resultantes de las obligaciones comunitarias internacionales, la necesidad de poner al día el «acervo comunitario» y/o de responder a compromisos con el Legislador.

⁵ La Comisión ha llevado a cabo ejercicios de retirada que han reducido la cantidad de propuestas pendientes. En 1997, se retiraron 34 propuestas, 58 en 1999, 108 en 2001 y 102 en 2004.

(2) Mantenimiento de propuestas en el proceso legislativo, pero con un análisis económico para que la autoridad legislativa pueda evaluar⁶. Esto se refiere a 5 propuestas que, a juicio de la Comisión, siguen siendo importantes, pero que podrían necesitar una presentación adicional del análisis de su impacto para facilitar el proceso decisorio a la autoridad legislativa.

De esta forma, como resultado del examen de la Comisión, unas 73 propuestas pendientes se someterán a algún tipo de intervención. Aquí se incluyen las propuestas que no cumplen plenamente los objetivos de competitividad, las que necesitan un mayor análisis económico antes de su presentación a la evaluación del Legislador así como las propuestas que no han avanzado suficientemente en el proceso legislativo o han quedado obsoletas.

Las retiradas equivalen a cerca del 31 %⁷ del total de propuestas pendientes desde antes del 1 de enero de 2004. Todas las intervenciones, incluidas las propuestas que se van a someter a un mayor análisis económico, equivalen al 33 %⁸ de las propuestas pendientes.

Por otra parte, por lo que respecta al menos a dos propuestas, el ejercicio de examen ha dado resultados que no se pueden incluir directamente en las categorías anteriores. En primer lugar, la propuesta de Directiva del Consejo sobre las disposiciones mínimas de seguridad y de salud relativas a la exposición de los trabajadores a los riesgos derivados de los agentes físicos (radiaciones ópticas, 1992/0449/COD), en relación con la cual el ejercicio de examen ha llevado a la Comisión a la conclusión de que deberían suprimirse los aspectos relativos a la exposición de los trabajadores a radiación óptica natural, como propone también el Parlamento Europeo.

En segundo lugar, en relación con la propuesta sobre los trabajadores cedidos por empresas de trabajo temporal (2002/0072/COD), la Comisión se reserva su posición de reconsiderar la propuesta a la luz de futuras negociaciones sobre otras propuestas.

El anexo a esta Comunicación resume la situación y facilita detalles de las propuestas en cuestión.

Conclusión

El ejercicio de examen de las propuestas pendientes es el primer examen de carácter general realizado por la Comisión. Ello muestra el compromiso de la Comisión Europea con la Asociación para el crecimiento y el empleo y su empeño en garantizar que los principios de «legislar mejor» se lleven a la práctica rigurosamente.

Las acciones resultantes del ejercicio de examen, es decir las intervenciones previstas sobre propuestas pendientes que figuran en el anexo, están destinadas a tener un efecto positivo en el cumplimiento de los objetivos de Lisboa, mediante su apoyo a la competitividad, para el desarrollo de un mejor entorno legislativo y para eliminar propuestas que no tengan posibilidades reales de adopción o hayan quedado obsoletas.

⁶ Gases fluorados, traslados de residuos, firma del convenio sobre equipo móvil para aeronaves, IVA sobre agencias de viaje e IVA sobre cooperación administrativa.

⁷ De un total de 68 retiradas, 12 son propuestas adoptadas por la Comisión en 2004.

⁸ Véase la nota 7 a pie de página.

La retirada de propuestas pendientes, en determinados casos, se llevará a cabo en el marco de una revisión general de las políticas o con intención de reconsiderar las propuestas a la luz de nuevos elementos políticos y una evaluación de impacto global.

De conformidad con los compromisos del Acuerdo marco sobre las relaciones entre el Parlamento Europeo y la Comisión (apartado 32), esta última debe notificar previamente al Parlamento y al Consejo antes de retirar sus propuestas.

ANNEX

1- Proposals to be withdrawn

Agriculture

- COM(88) 431/2: Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE establishing the terms and conditions of officially supported export credits for agricultural products
- 1994/0254/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) on the crediting of securities, deposits and guarantees furnished under the common agricultural policy and subsequently forfeited, and repealing Regulation (EEC) No 352/78
- 2000/0152/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EC) No 1251/1999 establishing a support system for producers of certain arable crops, in order to include rice
- COM(2003) 89: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION authorising the offer and delivery for direct human consumption of certain wines imported from Australia which may have undergone oenological practices not provided for in Regulation (EC) No 1493/1999

Competition

- 1997/0137/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) amending Regulation (EEC) No. 3975/87 laying down the procedure for the application of the rules on competition to undertakings in the air transport sector
- 1997/0138/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) on the application of Article 85(3) of the Treaty to certain categories of agreement and concerted practices in the air transport sector between the Community and third countries

Development

- COM(1999) 273: Proposal for a DECISION OF THE COUNCIL AND OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEMBER STATES MEETING WITHIN THE COUNCIL authorising the Commission to open negotiations with the ACP States with a view to amending the third ACP-EEC Convention, signed at Lomé on 8 December 1984, the fourth ACP-EEC Convention, signed at Lomé on 15 December 1989, and the fourth ACP-EC Convention as revised by the Mauritius Agreement of 4 November 1995

Economic and Financial Affairs

- SEC(2004) 485/2: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on making public the recommendation with a view to giving early warning to Italy in order to prevent the occurrence of an excessive deficit

Enlargement

- 1996/0153/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION concerning the conclusion of an Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters in the area of certification of industrial products under the framework of the Europe Agreement between the European

Community and its member states of the one part, and the Republic of Poland of the other part

- COM(1999) 675: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 676: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 678: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 679: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 680: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Latvia, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 681 : Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lithuania, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 682: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Slovenia, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes
- COM(1999) 684: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of provisions for the co-ordination of social security schemes

- 2002/0213/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL AND COMMISSION DECISION .../.../EC, ECSC on the conclusion of an additional Protocol to the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, with regard to an extension of the period foreseen in the provisions of Article 8(4) of Protocol 2 of the Europe Agreement with the Czech Republic
- 2002/0027/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community within the Association Committee established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of a Regional aid map on the basis of which public aid granted by the Slovak Republic will be assessed
- 2002/0145/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION relating to the conclusion of an Additional Protocol adjusting the trade aspects of the Europe Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Poland, of the other part, to take account of the outcome of the negotiations between the parties on new mutual agricultural concessions

Enterprise and Industry

- 1991/0386/COD: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the statute for a European association
- 1991/0390/COD : Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on the statute for a European mutual society
- 1991/0387/COD: Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council supplementing the Statute for a European association with regard to the involvement of employees
- 1991/0391/COD: Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council supplementing the Statute for a European mutual society with regard to the involvement of employees
- SEC(90) 431: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) amending Regulation (EEC) No 428/89 concerning the export of certain dangerous chemicals
- 2000/0235/COD: Proposal for a EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 80/232/EEC as regards the range of nominal weights for coffee extracts and chicory extracts
- 2003/0289/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Hungary, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 3 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Hungary
- 2004/0005/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Slovak Republic,

of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 3 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Slovak Republic

- 2004/0006/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Slovenia, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 3 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Slovenia
- 2004/0015/ACC : Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Latvia, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 2 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Latvia
- 2004/0021/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Estonia, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 2 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Estonia
- 2004/0019/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lithuania, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 2 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Lithuania
- 2004/0034/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Malta concerning the improvements of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products
- COM(2004) 1: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the position to be taken by the Community in the Association Council established by the Europe Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Czech Republic, of the other part, concerning the improvement of the trade arrangements for processed agricultural products provided for in Protocol 3 of the Europe Agreement between the European Community and the Czech Republic

Environment

- 2001/0188/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION relating to the conclusion, on behalf of the Community, of the Protocol on Water and Health to the 1992 Convention on the Protection and Use of Transboundary Watercourses and International Lakes

- COM(2003) 263: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the signature, on behalf of the European Community of the Protocol on civil liability and compensation for damage caused by the transboundary effects of industrial accidents transboundary watercourses

Fisheries and Maritime Affairs

- 2001/0096/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EEC) No 2847/93 establishing a control system applicable to the common fisheries policy
- 2001/0299/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION establishing measures for the recovery of cod and hake stocks
- 2002/0275/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION for the conservation of fishery resources through technical measures for the protection of juveniles of marine organisms
- COM(2004) 783: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EC) No 2287/2003 as concerns fishing opportunities for Norway lobster in the North Sea
- COM(2004) 797: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EC) No 2287/2003 as concerns fishing opportunities for herring in the Baltic Sea

Internal Market and Services

- 2001/0227/COD: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Regulation on sales promotion in the internal market
- 1997/0356/COD: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive approximating the legal arrangements for the protection of inventions by utility model

Justice, Freedom and Security

- 2001/0155/CNS: Proposal for a Council Directive relating to the conditions in which third-country nationals shall have the freedom to travel in the territory of the Member States for periods not exceeding 6 months
- 2003/0311/COD: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION on the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (recast)

External Relations

- 2000/0027/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION to refer the dispute regarding the procedure of state registration (renewal of registration) of medicinal products and related fees in Ukraine and to determine the position to be adopted by the Community in the Co-operation Council to settle the dispute
- 2000/0166/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION to supply the Cooperation Council with all relevant information required for a thorough examination of the situation in respect of the import ban imposed by the Russian Federation on fresh eggs for human consumption originating in the European Community
- 2000/0196/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION to supply the Cooperation Council with all relevant information required for a thorough examination of the situation in respect

of the failure by the Russian Federation to fulfil its obligations under the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement in regard to trade in alcoholic beverages

- 2000/0247/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION on countermeasures in response to the failure of the Russian Federation to fulfil its obligations under the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement in regard to trade in alcoholic beverages
- 2002/0139/COD: Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL concerning Community cooperation with Asian and Latin American countries and amending Council Regulation (EC) No 2258/96
- 2003/0160/AVC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the signing of an agreement on the participation of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic in the European Economic Area and four related agreements
- COM(2003) 255/2: Amended proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION approving the conclusion by the Commission, on behalf of the European Atomic Energy Community, of an Agreement on a Multilateral Nuclear Environmental Programme in the Russian Federation and of its Protocol on Claims, Legal Proceedings and Indemnification

Research

- COM(2003) 149: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION amending the Council Decision of 16 December 1980 setting up the consultative committee for the fusion programme

Health and Consumer Protection

- 1997/0027/COD: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Directive amending Directive 79/112/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to the labelling, presentation and advertising of foodstuffs
- 2000/0180/COD: Proposal for a EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND COUNCIL REGULATION laying down detailed rules for the organisation of official controls on products of animal origin intended for human consumption

Codification

- 2003/0288/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION laying down general rules for the application of measures to improve the production and marketing of honey (consolidated version)

Taxation and Customs Union

- 2001/0266/CNS: Proposal for Council Directive amending Directive 92/81/EEC with regard to the possibility of applying a reduced rate of excise duty on certain mineral oils containing biofuels and on biofuels
- 2002/0191/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 92/81/EEC and Directive 92/82/EEC to introduce special tax arrangements for diesel fuel used for commercial purposes and to align the excise duties on petrol and diesel fuel

- 1998/0210/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) on verification measures, measures relating to the refund system and administrative co-operation measures necessary for the application of Directive 98/xxx/EC
- 1998/0209/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL DIRECTIVE amending Directive 77/388/EEC as regards the rules governing the right to deduct value added tax

Trade

- 2004/0101/ACC: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the application of certain guidelines in the field of officially supported export credits
- COM(2004) 697: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION amending Council Decision 2001/855/EC of 15 November 2001 authorising the automatic renewal or continuation in force of provisions governing matters covered by the common commercial policy contained in the friendship, trade and navigation treaties and trade agreements concluded by Member States and third countries

Energy and Transport

- 1997/0212/COD: Proposal for a Council Directive on safety requirements and attestation of professional competence for cabin crews in Civil Aviation
- 1998/0096/COD: Proposal for a Council Directive on a transparent system of harmonised rules for driving restrictions on heavy goods vehicles involved in international transport on designated roads (“weekend bans”)
- 1996/0301/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION on the conclusion of the Agreement establishing conditions for the carriage of goods and passengers by inland waterway between the European Community on the one hand, and the Czech Republic, the Republic of Poland and the Slovak Republic on the other
- 1998/0349/COD: Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) amending Council Regulation (EEC) No 3922/91 of 16 December 1991 on the harmonisation of technical rules and administrative procedures in the field of civil aviation
- 2001/0225/CNS: Proposal for a COUNCIL DECISION to conclude for the European Community (EC) the “International Joint Convention on the Safety of Spent Fuel Management and the Safety of Radioactive Waste Management”

2- Proposals to be withdrawn and EU action to be reconsidered in the light of further analysis of the impacts

Justice, Freedom and Security

- 2001/0154/CNS: Proposal for a Council Directive on the conditions of entry and residence of third-country nationals for the purpose of paid employment and self-employed economic activities

3- Proposals to be maintained - economic analysis to be presented for the consideration of the legislative authority

Environment

- 2003/0189/COD: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Regulation on certain fluorinated greenhouse gases
- 2003/0139/COD: Proposal for a European Parliament and Council Regulation on shipments of waste

Justice, Freedom and Security

- 2002/0312/ACC: Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing by the EC of the Convention on International Interests in Mobile Equipment and its Protocol on matters specific to aircraft equipment; adopted jointly in Cape Town on 16/11/2001

Taxation and Customs Union

- 2002/0041/CNS: Proposal for a Council Directive modifying directive 77/388/CEE on travel agents: special VAT scheme
- 2003/0057/COD: Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EEC) No 218/92 on administrative co-operation in the field of indirect taxation (VAT) as regards additional measures regarding supplies of travel services