



**COUNCIL OF
THE EUROPEAN UNION**



Council Conclusions on WTO – DDA

(2737th EXTERNAL RELATIONS Council meeting - Luxembourg, 12 June 2006)

The Council adopted the following conclusions:

- "1. The Council heard an update from the Commission on the state of the negotiations and on the tentative agenda for informal negotiating sessions at ministerial level in June and July 2006. It welcomed the renewal of the Commission's commitment to keep the Council fully informed of the developments in the negotiations, and that its action remained in line with the mandate it had received from the Council. The Council noted with satisfaction that the Commission would remain in close contact with the Member States' delegations in the coming weeks, in the run up to, and during, the negotiating sessions at ministerial level.
2. The Council reconfirmed the objective of a comprehensive, balanced and ambitious agreement within and across all the main elements of the DDA in conformity with the Commission's mandate as defined in its previous conclusions.
3. The Council confirmed that it would meet in special session as necessary throughout the negotiating sessions at Ministerial level in Geneva, to take stock of developments during these negotiations, to provide the Commission with any further necessary guidance in these negotiations and, in accordance with its practice, take a position on the outcome of the negotiations, recalling the principle of the single undertaking. "

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