

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

**Subject: Meeting of the Praesidium
Brussels, 14 February 2003**

POINTS SETTLED

1. Articles 24 et seq (Instruments)

The Praesidium reached agreement on Draft Articles 24 et seq (on instruments) with a view to the circulation to the Convention at the plenary session on 27-28 February.

It was agreed that the draft text would be introduced by a “*exposé de motifs*” explaining the general approach (with references to the Amato working group and to the plenary debate) and would also be accompanied by a commentary, article by article.

**2 “Cercle de discussion” on the Court of Justice:
– composition**

The Praesidium agreed the composition of the “*Cercle de discussion*” (subsequently circulated in doc. 559/03).

3. Report on the execution of the budget

The Praesidium took note of the Secretary General’s report on the execution of the Budget for the month of January 2003.

OUTSTANDING QUESTIONS

4. Draft Articles 1 to 16

The Praesidium agreed that the plenary debate of 27-28 February on draft articles 1 to 16 would be prepared at its next meeting of 18 February, in the light of analytical fiches and a steering note by the secretariat.

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The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 18 February at 10h30 at Val Duchesse (Boulevard du Souverain, 259 – Brussels).