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The 2843rd session of the Council of the European Union - **AGRICULTURE and FISHERIES** - will take place on 21 January 2008 (11h00) in the Justus Lipsius Building, Brussels, under the Presidency of **Mr Iztok JARC, Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Food** of Slovenia.

The following points will be discussed at this session:

### **AGRICULTURE ITEMS**

- Work programme of the Presidency
  - *Presentation*
- Proposal for a Council Regulation amending Regulation (EC) No 1782/2003 establishing common rules for direct support schemes under the common agricultural policy and establishing certain support schemes for farmers and Regulation (EC) No 1698/2005 on support for rural development by the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development (EAFRD)(*cross compliance*)
  - *Political agreement*
- Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament: "Preparing for the 'Health Check' of the CAP reform"
  - *Presidency questionnaire*
- Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania

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*The Presidency will hold press conferences at the end of the session [ +/- 17.30].*

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