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Delegations will find attached updated information on EU commitments vis-à-vis third countries. It consists of a summary table covering commitments under the three pillars of the TEU.

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
ENLARGEMENT					
Bilateral intergovernmental accession conferences (Cyprus, Hungary, Poland, Estonia, Czech-Republic, Slovenia)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conclusions of the Luxembourg European Council meeting (12-13.12.1997) - Conference at ministerial level inaugurating the accession negotiations (6962/98 to 6967/98, adopted by the Council on 24.3.1998) 	<p>For each of the six applicant countries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Meetings at Foreign Minister level at least twice a year (one of those meetings in liaison with the Association Council if possible) - Meetings at deputy level (COREPER + applicant State): at least twice a year 	-		Screening: April 1998 to July 1999

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	Legal basis/ political commitment	Council commitments			p.m. Commission- run activities
		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
Global accession process (Cyprus + ten CCEE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Article 49 of the TEU - Conclusions of the Luxembourg European Council meeting (12-13.12.1997) - Conference at ministerial level: launch of the accession process on 30.3.1998 (6961/98 adopted by the Council on 24.3.1998) 	<p>Multilateral framework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At Foreign Minister level: as required - Technical ministerial meetings: may also be considered bearing in mind the experience gained in the structured dialogue 		<p>Conclusion of the pre-accession Pact on 28 May 1998 by JHA Ministers. Regular meetings with all the applicant countries within the framework of the MDG (Multidisciplinary Group on Organised Crime) for the implementation of the Pact. Collective assessment system implemented by the Council through adoption of a Common Action on 29 June 1998. At the JHA Council meeting on 26/27 May 1999 this system was consolidated</p>	
European Conference Cyprus + ten CCEE (renewed invitation to Turkey and invitation to Switzerland and to Malta as "members elect")	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conclusions of the Luxembourg European Council meeting (12-13.12.1997) - Conclusions of the Vienna European Council meeting (12-13.12.1998) 	<p>Multilateral framework:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heads of State and of Government level: once a year - Foreign Minister level: once a year 			

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I. Associated CCEE (Bilateral relations) BULGARIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 358, 31.12.1994) (Mixed Agreement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the President of the European Council, the President of the Commission and the President of Bulgaria, when necessary - Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the Political Directors of Bulgaria, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission 	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
CZECH REPUBLIC	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 360, 31.12.1994) (Mixed Agreement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the President of the European Council, the President of the Commission and the President of the Czech Republic, when necessary - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the Political Directors of the Czech Republic, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission 	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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ESTONIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 68, 9.3.1998) (Mixed Agreement)	- 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Estonia, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission as required	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	Joint Committee - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
HUNGARY	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 347, 31.12.1993) (Mixed Agreement)	- consultations between the parties at the highest political level - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Hungary, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	- Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
LATVIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 26, 2.2.1998) (Mixed Agreement)	- 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Latvia, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission as required	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	Joint Committee - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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LITHUANIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 51, 20.2.1998) (Mixed Agreement)	- 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Lithuania, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission as required	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	Joint Committee - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
POLAND	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 348, 31.12.1993) (Mixed Agreement)	- consultations, as required, between the President of the European Council, the President of the Commission and the President of Poland - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Poland, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	- Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
ROMANIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 357, 31.12.1994) (Mixed Agreement)	- meetings are planned between the parties at the highest political level as required - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- meetings between the Political Directors of Romania, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	- Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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SLOVAK REPUBLIC	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 359, 31.12.1994) (Mixed Agreement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the President of the Slovak Republic, the President of the European Council and the President of the Commission as required - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the Political Directors of the Slovak Republic, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission 	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)
SLOVENIA	Europe Association Agreement (OJ L 51, 26.2.1999) (Mixed Agreement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings between the Political Directors of Slovenia, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission 	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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2. Multilateral STRUCTURED DIALOGUE (CCEE with Europe Agreements, Cyprus and Malta)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - one meeting at Political Directors' level (15 + Cion + associates) per Presidency and other meetings at this level with the Troika at the Presidency's discretion - one meeting at experts' level with the Troika or with all the partners; Working Parties involved: United Nations, OSCE, Non-proliferation, Conventional Arms Exports, Western Balkans, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Security, Terrorism, Policy Planning, Human Rights, Drugs, Disarmament 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Specific contacts - regular meetings with experts: on asylum and immigration within CIREA/CIREFI, on visas within the Visa Working Party, on police work within the Working Party on Police and Customs Cooperation and on terrorism through Troika meetings with representatives of the applicant countries 	

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II. CYPRUS AND MALTA					
CYPRUS (bilateral) (See also Enlargement)	Association Agreement (OJ L 133, 21.5.1973) (Mixed)	- 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) - Association Committee (officials)	- Structured dialogue CE-CY 702/95 and Council conclusions 17.7.1995		
MALTA (bilateral)	Association Agreement (OJ L 61, 14.3.1971) (Mixed) Joint declaration 28.4.1998	- 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue) - Association Committee (officials)	- Structured dialogue : Council conclusions 21.6.1999 Meetings at Senior Official level Meetings at Expert level	On 28 April 1998 a statement on cooperation on justice and home affairs was adopted within the framework of the Association Council	

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III. MEDITERRANEAN					
1. Multilateral BARCELONA PROCESS	Barcelona Declaration (adopted on 28 November 1995) (Mixed)	Meetings of Min for Foreign Aff: approximately every year Euro-Mediterranean Committee on the Barcelona process: usually meeting 4 times a year	- meetings of Senior Officials with responsibility for the political aspect and Security	The Barcelona Declaration contains provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	
2. Bilateral ALGERIA	Cooperation Agreement signed on 26 April 1976 (Mixed Agreement)	- 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee: (officials) (lapsed)		The Agreement with this country includes provisions on cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	
EGYPT	Cooperation Agreement signed on 18 January 1977 (Mixed Agreement) Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement being negotiated (Mixed Agreement)	- 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee: (officials) (lapsed) - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)	A political dialogue to be set up at - Ministerial - Senior Official levels	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	

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ISRAEL	<p>EC-Israel Agreement signed on 29 June 1970</p> <p>Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement, signed in Brussels on 20 November 1995 (10373/95)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement) Interim Agreement (OJ L 71, 20.3.1996)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) - The former cooperation bodies remain in force pending the entry into force of the new Agreement 	<p>Political dialogue at Ministerial Senior Official (Political Directors) levels</p>	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	
JORDAN	<p>Cooperation Agreement signed on 18 January 1977</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p> <p>Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement, signed in Brussels, on 24 November 1997 (11119/97 RHJ 3)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee: (officials) (lapsed) - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) 	<p>Political dialogue at Ministerial Senior Official levels</p>	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	

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LEBANON	<p>Cooperation Agreement signed on 3 May 1977</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p> <p>Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement under negotiation</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee: (officials) (lapsed) - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) 	<p>A political dialogue to be set up at</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Ministerial . Senior Official levels 	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	
MOROCCO	<p>Cooperation Agreement signed on 27 April 1976</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p> <p>Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement signed on 26 February 1996 4132/96 + ADD 1</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - Cooperation Committee (officials) (lapsed) - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) 	<p>Political dialogue at regular intervals and as required, in particular</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> . at ministerial level, mainly within the Association Council (at least 1 per year) . made up of Senior Officials representing Morocco, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission 	<p>Talks with this country set up in the Trevi framework (USA, Canada, Switzerland, Morocco) take place under the aegis of the Presidency with the General Secretariat of the Council acting as intermediary</p> <p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	

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PLO	Interim Association Agreement signed on 24 February 1997 (OJ L 187, 16.7.1997) Joint Declaration signed at the same time		Political dialogue takes place at · Ministerial · Senior Official levels		Joint Committee, 1 per year (senior officials)
SYRIA	Cooperation Agreement signed on 18 January 1977 (Mixed Agreement) Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement being negotiated	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Cooperation Council per year at ministerial level - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) 	A political dialogue to be set up at · Ministerial · Senior Official levels	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	
TUNISIA	Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement (OJ L 97, 30.3.1998) (Mixed Agreement)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Association Council per year at ministerial level - Association Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) 	Political dialogue at regular intervals and as required, in particular · at ministerial level, mainly within the Association Council (at least 1 per year) · made up of Senior Officials representing Tunisia, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	

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TURKEY	<p>1963 Association Agreement (OJ L 217, 29.12.1964)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p> <p>+ Association Council Resolutions of 6 March 1995 and 31 October 1995 (CE-TR 108/95 and CE-TR 130/95)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 per year between the Head of State or Government of Turkey, the President of the Council and the President of the Commission - 2 Association Councils per year at ministerial level - Association Committee (senior officials) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministers for Foreign Affairs: 6-monthly meetings, one of which coincides with the Association Council while the other involves the Troika - 2 per year at Troika Senior Official level - Consultations between Turkish and EU experts in certain Working Parties: Security, Western Balkans, United Nations, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, OSCE 	<p>Resolution of 31 October 1995, provides for regular meetings at K4 level and at Presidency/SG/Cion level</p> <p>The K4 Committee met a Turkish delegation on 25 June 1998. Undertakings given in late 1998 on the occasion of a visit by Presidency, Commission and General Secretariat have not been implemented</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Customs Union Joint Committee

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IV. OTHER STATES IN WESTERN EUROPE					
EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AREA (Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein)	Agreement on the European Economic Area (OJ L 1, 3.1.1994) (Mixed Agreement) Joint Declaration on political dialogue adopted by the EEA Council on 30 May 1995 (EEE 1604/95)	- regular meetings between the Prime Ministers of the EEA States, the President of the European Council and the President of the Commission - EEA Councils per year at ministerial level, dealing with all major bilateral or international matters (including political dialogue)	- possible meetings at Political Director level - meetings between experts, as required, involving the following Working Parties: Security, Middle East Peace Process, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Western Balkans, Disarmament, Non-proliferation, Conventional Arms Exports, OSCE	Meetings are held at all levels in the framework of the Joint Committee	Joint Committee (several meetings a year; a number of subcommittees have been set up)
SWITZERLAND	Agreement between the EEC and the Swiss Confederation (Free Trade Agreement) (OJ L 300, 31.12.1972) Agreements signed on 21.6.1999 in 7 sectors			Talks with this country set up in the Trevi framework (USA, Canada, Switzerland, Morocco) take place under the aegis of the Presidency with the General Secretariat of the Council acting as intermediary	Joint Committee (irregular intervals)
ICELAND	Agreement between the EEC and the Republic of Iceland (Free Trade Agreement) (OJ L 301, 31.12.1972)			Meetings at all levels in the framework of the Joint Committee on issues which were covered by "Schengen" cooperation	Joint Committee (irregular intervals)
NORWAY	Agreement between the EEC and the Kingdom of Norway (Free Trade Agreement) (OJ L 171, 27.6.1973)			Meetings at all levels in the framework of the Joint Committee on issues which were covered by "Schengen" cooperation	Joint Committee (irregular intervals)

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	Legal basis/ political commitment	Council commitments			p.m. Commission- run activities
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ANDORRA	Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters between the EEC and the Principality of Andorra (OJ L 374, 31.12.1990) Cooperation Agreement being negotiated				Joint Committee (irregular intervals)
SAN MARINO	Cooperation and Customs Union Agreement between the EEC and the Republic of San Marin (OJ L 359, 9.12.1992) Interim Agreement signed on 27.11.1992 (OJ L 359, 9.12.1992)				Cooperation Committee (irregular intervals)

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V. 12 REPUBLICS OF THE FORMER USSR ARMENIA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 22 April 1996 (will be published in the OJ shortly) (Mixed Agreement)	Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States and the Republic of Armenia - all other means, such as experts' meetings The dialogue may be conducted on a regional basis	The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs	Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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AZERBAIJAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 22 April 1996 (will be published in the OJ shortly) (Mixed Agreement) 	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States and the Republic of Azerbaijan - all other means, such as experts' meetings <p>The dialogue may be conducted on a regional basis</p>	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Joint Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p> <p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>
BELARUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1989 EEC-USSR Cooperation Agreement (OJ No L 68, 15.3.1990) + Interim Agreement signed on 25 March 1996 (not yet concluded) (5671/96) - with the entry into force of the Partnership Agreement signed on 6 March 1995 (4890/95) (Mixed Agreement) 	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Belarus, of the other part 	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>

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GEORGIA	<p>- Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 22 April 1996</p> <p>(will be published in the OJ shortly)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States and the Republic of Georgia - all other means, such as experts' meetings <p>The dialogue may be conducted on a regional basis</p>	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>

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KAZAKHSTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 23 January 1995 <p>(will be published in the OJ shortly)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Kazakhstan, of the other part - all other means, such as experts' meetings, that might help consolidate and develop the political dialogue 	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>

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KYRGYZSTAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 9 February 1995 <p>(will be published in the OJ shortly)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Kyrgyz Republic, of the other part - all other means, such as experts' meetings, that might help consolidate and develop the political dialogue 	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>
MOLDOVA	<p>Partnership Agreement (OJ L 181, 24.6.1998)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Republic of Moldova, of the one part, and the Community, of the other part 	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p> <p>First meeting of subcommittee dealing with JHA affairs took place in May 1999</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>

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UZBEKISTAN	<p>- Entry into force on 1 July 1999 of the Partnership Agreement signed on 21 June 1996</p> <p>(will be published in the OJ shortly)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p> <p>The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at ministerial level, political dialogue takes place within the Cooperation Council or at other times, by mutual consent - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing the Community and its Member States and the Republic of Uzbekistan - all other means, such as experts' meetings <p>The dialogue may be conducted on a regional basis</p>	<p>The Agreement with this country includes provisions concerning cooperation on Justice and Home Affairs</p>	<p>Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)</p>

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RUSSIA	<p>Joint Political Declaration of 9 December 1993 (11237/93)</p> <p>Partnership Agreement (OJ L 327, 28.11.1997)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<p>- in principle 2 meetings per year between the President of the European Council, the President of the Commission and the President of Russia</p> <p>Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level</p>	<p>- at ministerial level, political dialogue takes place within the Cooperation Council or at other times, in particular with the EU Troika, by mutual consent</p> <p>- 2 meetings per year between Senior Officials representing the EU Troika and Russia</p> <p>- all other means, including in particular the possibility of experts' meetings</p> <p>(Working Parties involved: United Nations, Western Balkans, Non-proliferation, Drugs, Terrorism, OSCE, Middle East Peace Process, Policy Planning, Mashreq/Maghreb, Security, Southeast Europe, Asia/Oceania, Disarmament, Middle East/Gulf, Conventional arms exports)</p> <p>The dialogue may be conducted on a regional basis</p>	Subcommittee	Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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TAJKISTAN	- 1989 EEC-USSR Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 68, 15.3.1990)				Joint Committee: not activated
TURKMENISTAN	- 1989 EEC-USSR Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 68, 15.3.1990) - Partnership Agreement signed on 25.5.1998 (5606/98) not yet in force	Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level of mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)	Regular meetings of Senior Officials Meetings of experts		Joint Committee: usually 1 per year (officials) Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
UKRAINE	Partnership Agreement (OJ L 49, 19.2.1998) (Mixed Agreement)	Cooperation Council: 1 per year at ministerial level The Cooperation Council constitutes the highest level mixed body examining all major bilateral or international matters of common interest (including political dialogue)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - where appropriate, consultations are organised between the parties at the highest political level - at ministerial level, political dialogue takes place within the Cooperation Council or at other times by mutual consent with the EU Troika - regular meetings of Senior Officials representing Ukraine and the Community - meetings of experts (Working Party on Security) 	First meeting of the Subcommittee on organised crime and money laundering was held in March 1999 in Kiev	Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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VI. WESTERN BALKANS	Declaration of the European Union of 8 June 1998 setting up a Consultative Task Force (8 June 1998, Conclusions of the General Affairs Council, 9243/98)				Consultative Task Force : 2 per year
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA					
CROATIA	-----				
FYROM	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 348, 18.12.1997) Joint Declaration 29.4.1997		- Meetings at ministerial level - Meetings at Senior Official level - Meetings at expert level (Western Balkans)		Cooperation Council: - level not determined - 1 per year
FRY	-----				
ALBANIA	- Trade and Cooperation Agreement, signed on 11 May 1992 (OJ L 343, 25.11.1992) - Joint Declaration establishing a political dialogue (11 May 1992 Coreu LIS 628/92)		- meetings at ministerial level - meetings at Senior Official level between Albania, the Presidency of the Council and the Commission		- Cooperation Committee: usually 1 per year (officials)

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
VII. NORTH AMERICA UNITED STATES	Transatlantic Declaration of 23 November 1990 "New Transatlantic Agenda" of 3 December 1995	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 per Presidency: Summit between the US President, the President of the European Council and the President of the Commission - at ministerial level, = visit by the new Council Presidency (and the Commission Presidency) to the US. = 1 per Presidency: meeting of all the EU Ministers for Foreign Affairs and the Commission representative with their American counterparts - ad hoc meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs of the Presidency or of the Troika (and of the Commission) with their American counterparts (alongside the United Nations General Assembly) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings at Political Director level at the beginning of each Presidency + as required 	<p>Regular contacts at level of Presidency of Council and Article 36 Committee, specific contacts cover</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organised crime - (Europol Multidisciplinary Group) - trafficking in women - terrorism - drugs - Asylum/Immigration (CIREA/CIREFI) <p>Regular meetings of experts (CIREA/CIREFI; Working Party on Drugs and Organised Crime; Judicial Cooperation) according to the priorities of the Transatlantic Agenda</p>	

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
UNITED STATES (continued)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at expert level 1 Troika meeting per Presidency + Commission alongside the following Working Parties: Arms Exports, Africa, Asia/Oceania, Central Europe, OSCE, Consular Affairs, Disarmament, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Human Rights, Latin America, Mashreq/Maghreb, Non-proliferation, Terrorism, United Nations, Western Balkans, Security, Drugs, Southeast Europe, Middle East/Gulf, Middle East Peace Process. In addition, meetings of EU-USA-Canada senior officials on Iran, generally 1 per Presidency 		
CANADA	<p>Framework Agreement for Commercial and Economic Cooperation between the EC and Canada (OJ L 260 of 1976)</p> <p>Coreu BON 316 of 14.4.1988</p> <p>Joint Declaration of 22 November 1990 Coreu SEC 793/90</p> <p>EU-Canada Joint Declaration of 17 December 1996</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings between the Prime Minister of Canada, the President of the European Council and the President of the Commission - 2 meetings per year between the President of the Council, the Commission and the Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 per Presidency at Senior Official level (Troika) - ad hoc meetings of experts on matters of common interest (Non-proliferation, Disarmament, Human Rights, United Nations, Latin America, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Africa, Asia/Oceania, Western Balkans) - meetings of EU-USA-Canada senior officials on Iran, generally 1 per Presidency 	Implementation of action plan by participation of Canada in work of multidisciplinary group, CIREA, CIREFI and several seminars	Joint Cooperation Committee

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
VIII. MIDDLE EAST/GULF GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1988 Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 54, 25.2.1989) - Joint Communiqué of the ministerial meeting and of the 6th EU-GCC Joint Council, Luxembourg, 22 April 1996 (CE-GULF 3501/96) 	1 ministerial meeting per year and Joint Council meeting at ministerial level (in Brussels/Luxembourg or in the Gulf region alternately)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - there may be 2 meetings of EU-GCC Senior Officials per year - Ministerial lunch (15 + 6) during the UNGA 		Joint Cooperation Committee: 1 per year (officials)
IRAN	Council conclusions of 23.2.1998		"Comprehensive dialogue"		
YEMEN	1997 Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 72, 11.3.1998)				Cooperation Committee 1 per a year (officials)

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
IX. ASIA/OCEANIA 1. Bilateral AUSTRALIA	Joint Declaration of 26 June 1997 (9305/97)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings with the President of the Council, the President of the Commission and the Australian Prime Minister if necessary - meetings with the Presidency at ministerial level whenever necessary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings at Senior Official level (Asia/Oceania) 	This country is part of the Dublin Group, bringing together in the fight against drugs, in addition to the Fifteen, the United States, Canada, Japan, Australia, Norway and the UN	
BANGLADESH	1976 Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 319 of 1976) Negotiations under way for a new Cooperation Agreement				Joint Commission: 1 per year at experts' level
CAMBODIA	Cooperation Agreement signed on 29.4.1996				Joint Committee approximately every 2 years at experts' level

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
CHINA	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 250, 1985) and Exchange of letters of 9 June 1994 (COREU ATH 1209/94) Council conclusions of 29.6.1998		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 per year at ministerial level as the Troika (alongside the UN General Assembly) - 1 per Presidency: Ambassadors of the EU Member States with the Chinese Minister for Foreign Affairs - 1 per Presidency, Presidency + Chinese Ambassador - regularly at Senior Official level (Troika) <p>Working Parties: Asia/Oceania, Human Rights, Non-proliferation, Conventional arms exports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction of annual summits 		Joint Committee: 1 per year
NORTH KOREA	Political Committee Decision of 26.11.1998		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Experts (Asia/Oceania) 		
SOUTH KOREA	Framework Cooperation Agreement signed on 28.10.1996 (Mixed Agreement)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - as required, meetings at Head of State level (Pres + Cion) - 1 per year at ministerial level (Troika) - at Senior Official level, at unspecified intervals 		Joint Committee usually once a year at experts' level

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
INDIA	1994 Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 223, 1994) Joint Declaration, signed in Brussels on 20.12.1993 Council conclusions of 6.12.1996		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings at ministerial level between India, of the one part, and the EU Troika, of the other part - meetings at Senior Official level - experts (Non-proliferation) 		1 Joint Committee per year usually at experts' level
JAPAN	Joint Declaration, The Hague, 18 July 1991 (P 66/91) and Council conclusions of 29 May 1995 (7393/95) Political Committee Decision of 18.1.1996 (Coreu SEC 57/96)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 meeting per year between the Prime Minister of Japan, the President of the European Council and the President of the Commission - 1 meeting per Presidency at ministerial level (Troika) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 meeting per Presidency at Political Directors level (Troika) - meetings at experts' level; Working Parties concerned: Asia/ Oceania, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Western Balkans, Middle East/Gulf, Middle East Peace Process, Africa, Non-proliferation, Human Rights, United Nations 	This country is part of the Dublin Group, bringing together in the fight against drugs, in addition to the Fifteen, the United States, Canada, Japan, Australia, Norway and the UN	
LAOS	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 334, 1997)				Joint Committee approximately every 2 years at experts' level
MACAO	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 404 of 1992)				1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level
MONGOLIA	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 41 of 1993)				1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
NEPAL	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 137 of 1996)				Joint Committee approximately every 2 years at experts' level
NEW ZEALAND	Joint Declaration 4.5.1999		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings at ministerial level - meetings at Senior Official level 		
PAKISTAN	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 108 of 1986) Political Committee Decision of 12-13 January 1992 (Coreu LIS 291/92) New Cooperation Agreement initialled on 22.4.1998		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - political dialogue at Deputy Political Directors' level - experts (Non-proliferation) 		Joint Committee every year at experts' level
SRI LANKA	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 85 of 19.4.1995) Statement of the EU and Sri Lanka on Political Dialogue of 16 May 1994 (Coreu ATH 758/94)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings at the level of Ministers or officials, if necessary, between the Sri Lankan authorities and the EU Troika 		1 Joint Commission per year at experts' level
VIETNAM	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 136 of 1996)				Joint Committee every 2 years at experts' level

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
2. Multilateral ASEAN (Burma, Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Vietnam)	EC-ASEAN Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 144 of 10.6.1980) Karlsruhe Declaration of 23 September 1994 Communiqué from the EC-ASEAN Ministerial meeting in Manila, 29-30 October 1992	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ministers meet at least once every two years N.B. The Ministers' meeting scheduled for Berlin in March 1999 had to be cancelled because of the problem of Burma <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Senior Officials meet between the Ministers' meetings (in practice also once every two years) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Political dialogue is an essential part of EU-ASEAN meetings at all levels 	At the second Asia/Europe meeting on 3/4 April 1998 it was agreed to enhance cooperation in combating illicit drugs and money laundering	Joint Committee approximately every 2 years
ASEM (Brunei, China, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, Vietnam)	Bangkok Declaration of 1.3.1996 and London Declaration of April 1998	Meetings of Heads of State or Government every 2 years Meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs ever 2 years (1st time: Singapore, February 1997) Meetings of Ministers for Economic and Financial Affairs approximately every 2 years Senior Officials Meetings every 2 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - since the discussion at the Ministerial ASEM in Singapore (15.2.1997), it may be deemed to be agreed that non-exclusive political dialogue will take place at future meetings - it was agreed at Bangkok (1/4.3.1996) that officials would consult regularly on the UN in New York 	At the second Asia/Europe meeting on 3/4 April 1998 it was agreed to enhance cooperation in combating illicit drugs and money laundering	

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
X. LATIN AMERICA					
1. Bilateral					
ARGENTINA	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 295 of 1990)			Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City.	- 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in Brussels or in Argentina
BRAZIL	Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 262 of 1995)			Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City.	- 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in Brussels or in Brazil

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CHILE	<p>EEC-Chile Framework Cooperation Agreement signed on 20.12.1990 (OJ L 122, 17.5.1991)</p> <p>Joint Declaration on political dialogue between the EU and Chile, signed in Florence on 21 June 1996 (7868/96 et 7792/96)</p> <p>(Mixed Agreement)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings, for which the parties will define the detailed arrangements, will take place regularly between the President of the Republic of Chile and the most senior authorities of the European Union - meetings, for which the parties will define the detailed arrangements, will take place regularly between the Ministers for Foreign Affairs (dialogue to take place within the Joint Council set up by the Framework Cooperation Agreement) - meetings will take place regularly between other Ministers with responsibility for subjects of common interest, where the Parties deem them necessary to strengthen their relations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings will take place regularly between the Senior Officials of both parties 	<p>The Interim Agreement provides that the former joint bodies shall remain in force; in addition, a meeting of the Cooperation Committee was held in 1997. A further meeting could be planned this year.</p> <p>Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in an EU Member State or in Chile; Commission officials represent EC, Representatives of the Member States take part - trade Subcommittees approximately every six months; Member States invited to take part

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MEXICO	<p>Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and Cooperation Agreement signed on 8.12.1997 (not yet ratified)</p> <p>Interim Trade Agreement concluded on 29.6.1998 (11890/1/97) OJ L 226, 13.8.1998</p> <p>Joint Declaration 8.12.1997</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular dialogue at Joint Council level (consisting of members of the EU Council, members of the Commission and members of the Mexican Government) - meetings once a year of the Joint Committee (representatives of the EU, the Commission and Mexico) 	<p>Dialogue</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at Presidency level - at Ministerial level - at Senior Official level 	<p>Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in Brussels or in Mexico
PARAGUAY	<p>Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 313, 30.10.1992)</p>			<p>Talks in the framework of the cooperation/ coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in Brussels or in Paraguay
URUGUAY	<p>Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 94 of 1992)</p>			<p>Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 Joint Committee per year at experts' level (in practice every 18 to 24 months), meeting alternately in Brussels or in Uruguay

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2. Multilateral LATIN AMERICA CARIBBEAN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1997 Amsterdam European Council conclusions 	Summit of EU-Latin America-Caribbean Heads of State or of Government on 28-29 June 1999 at Rio de Janeiro. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possibility of future summits - Follow-up mechanism(s) (decided at Rio). 		Global Action Plan on drugs confirmed at the Summit on 28/29 June 1999 at Rio	
ANDEAN COMMUNITY (Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Venezuela)	1993 Framework Cooperation Agreement (OJ L 127, 1998) Joint Declaration on political dialogue, signed in Rome on 30 June 1996 (7722/96) Joint Declaration by the Troika of Ministers for Justice and Home Affairs of the EU and the Ministers with responsibility for combating drug trafficking of the Andean Pact, signed in Brussels on 26 September 1995	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings will take place in Europe, as and when appropriate, between the President of the Andean Presidential Council, the Presidency of the EU Council and the President of the European Commission. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings, for which the parties will fix the detailed arrangements, will take place regularly between the Ministers for Foreign Affairs alongside other ongoing political dialogues. In practice a ministerial meeting alongside the United Nations General Assembly is usual as is a ministerial meeting alongside the EU-Rio Group Ministerial meeting - meetings will take place at the appropriate level as circumstances require 	Meetings scheduled as part of the fight against drugs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - at ministerial level (JHA), as appropriate - at senior technical officials' level, on a regular basis Meeting at Senior Official level will take place in November 1999 at Cartagena Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City	Joint Committee meeting every 18 months

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
RIO GROUP (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela)	Rome Declaration of 20 December 1990 (P90/91 PE) and subsequent communiqués	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - annual meeting at ministerial level during the first half of the year, alternately in Latin America and in the country of the Presidency of the Council. In 1999 that meeting will be replaced by the EU-Latin America Summit of Heads of State and of Government 	1 meeting per year at ministerial level alongside the UN General Assembly	Talks in the framework of the cooperation/ coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City	
MERCOSUR (Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay)	Interregional Framework Agreement on Trade and Economic Cooperation (enters into force in the very near future) (11133/95 and OJ L 69, 19.3.1996) Mixed Agreement, Community part provisionally applied	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - regular meetings between the Mercosur Heads of State and the highest authorities of the EU - annual meetings of Ministers for Foreign Affairs plus Commission - regular meetings of Senior Officials - meetings of other Ministers - Cooperation Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - political dialogue may be extended to Chile and Bolivia 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cooperation Committee (Commission plus representatives of the Member States, in principle once per year) - Subcommittee (same composition) in principle every six months

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SAN JOSE (Members: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama; Cooperating countries: Colombia, Mexico, Venezuela; Observers: Belize and the Dominican Republic)	Solemn Declaration signed in Florence on 21.6.1996 (6332/96)	Annual dialogue at ministerial level alternately in a Central American country and in a country of the European Union as follows: - every two years, plenary meetings will be held alternately in the country of the Presidency of the European Union and in Central America; - in the intervening years, Ministers from the Central American countries will have meetings with the EU Troika, alternating as for the plenary meetings	- 1 meeting per year at ministerial level alongside the UN General Assembly	Talks in the framework of the cooperation/coordination mechanisms with Caribbean/Latin America on drugs initialled on 23/24 March 1998. 2nd meeting on 8/9 April 1999 at Panama City	

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XI. AFRICA ACP (71 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific)	4th Lomé Convention (OJ L 229, 17.8.1991) (Mixed Agreement) Agreement amending the Fourth Convention signed on 4 November 1995 (OJ L 156, 29.5.1998) Directives for the negotiation of a development partnership agreement with the ACP States adopted by the Council on 29 6 1998 (10017/98)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - annual meetings of ACP-EC Council at ministerial level (these meetings take place alternately in an ACP country and in Brussels or Luxembourg) - at least 1 meeting of the ACP-EC Committee of Ambassadors per year (in Brussels) - regular meetings of the ACP-EC Joint Committees in particular concerning questions relating to cooperation for financing development, commodities and industrial cooperation. These Committees are jointly chaired by the Presidency of the Council (the first two at ministerial level) 			Specialist Subcommittees at expert level co-chaired by the Commission
SOUTH AFRICA	Trade and Cooperation Agreement, European Council, Berlin, 24-25 March 1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - composition, frequency and venues for the Cooperation Council to be decided by the parties - political dialogue at Ministerial and Senior Official levels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - dialogue at experts level (Non-proliferation) 		

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
OAU	Political Committee decision of 12.12.1994 (Coreu SEC 1324/94 and SEC 1274/94)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the EU delegation to ordinary meetings with the OAU adopted the form of the Working Party on Africa at meetings in Brussels and that of the Troika in the case of meetings in Africa - 1 ordinary meeting per Presidency, at Directors' level, ad hoc meetings at higher and lower level may be scheduled as required; - ordinary meetings will take place alternately in Brussels and in Addis Ababa 		
SADC (Angola, Botswana, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, South Africa, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Declaration by the EU-SADC Ministerial Conference, Berlin, September 1994 (9287/94) - Joint communiqué by the EU-SADC Ministerial Conference in Windhoek, October 1996 (11194/96) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - meetings of the Ministerial Conference as appropriate (all delegations taking part) - annual meetings of the Joint Committee of Senior Officials (all delegations taking part) - at least 1 meeting of the Joint Steering Committee per year (EU Troika taking part) <p>All these meetings take place in one of the two regions alternately</p>	Ditto		

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		Horizontal	CFSP-specific	JHA-specific	
EU-AFRICA SUMMIT	Conclusions of the European Council, Florence, 21-22 June 1996 (point VIII.8)	Meetings at levels to be determined in preparation for the EU-Africa Summit scheduled for 3-4 April 2000 in Cairo	Political dialogue questions in preparation for the Summit		
XII.NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT	Political Committee decision of 6 September 1990 (Coreu ROM 703/90)		1 meeting at ministerial (Troika) level per year alongside the UN General Assembly		