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An Comhchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh

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Joint Committee on European Union Affairs

Work Programme 2011

July 2011

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Outline Work Programme

1. Background

The Joint Committee on European Union Affairs was established following Orders of Dáil Éireann on 8 June 2011 and of Seanad Éireann on 16 June 2011. Standing Orders [DSO 86(4); SSO 75(4)] require that "as soon as may be following its appointment and thereafter at any intervals, each Select Committee shall prepare a work programme and shall lay such programme before [Dáil/Seanad] Éireann".

This Work Programme details business that the Committee must transact between now and the end of the year in accordance with its orders of reference, as well as key policy issues from which items may be selected for consideration.

In so far as possible the Joint Committee will try to maintain a reasonable balance in its work between all of its policy responsibilities.

2. Joint Committee

The duties of the Joint Committee are discharged in two ways (1) there will be items of business referred to it by one or both Houses and (2) it can select business for consideration itself, from the areas within its terms of reference. In practice, the Joint Committee's work will comprise the examination of EU business and key policy priorities.

(i) EU business - general

The Committee's Work Programme is informed by the Work Programme of the European Commission for the calendar year which in turn translates the political priorities for the EU as set out by the President of the European Commission in the State of the Union Address (delivered in the latter half of the calendar year). The Committees work programme will also take into account the priorities of the Polish presidency of the Council for the July to December period.

The Work of the Joint Committee is also guided by relevant European Council conclusions which set the strategic direction of the EU.

- ***Oversight of EU Affairs, EU Scrutiny and the Joint Committee's report on the Operation of the EU Scrutiny Act 2002.***

The Joint Committee will make arrangements for regular meetings with the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade or Minister of State with Special Responsibility for European Affairs in advance of meetings of the General Affairs Council meetings to enable the Joint Committee to continue effective oversight of the Government's policy approach and to have an input into, and an exchange of views on, topics arising on the agendas of those Council meetings.

The Joint Committee will Report on an annual basis to both Houses of the Oireachtas on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.

- ***Statutory Instruments***

The Joint Committee will endeavour to monitor Statutory Instruments (SI's) arising from the European Communities Act 1972 (as amended) which are laid before both Houses of the Oireachtas and, where it considers it necessary, will discuss particular SI's and matters arising, with the appropriate Sectoral Committee and with the appropriate Minister, as required.

- ***Referral of matters by Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann***

In addition to those issues detailed in this Work Programme, the Joint Committee may be required, from time to time, to consider matters referred to it jointly by Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann (e.g. Motions re. International Agreements, Conventions, draft SIs, etc.).

(ii) Joint Committee –Specific Items for Consideration

The Joint Committee will monitor, review and report on the likely implications of the policies and programmes pursued by the Institutions of the European Union for people in their daily lives and for the longer-term future for Ireland and Europe.

As part of that process, the Committee may invite presentations from Government Ministers, European Commissioners, representatives of government departments and the EU Institutions and other interested individuals and groups in order to hear their views and perspectives on matters under consideration. The Joint Committee may also, if the need arises, engage

persons with specialist or technical knowledge to advise and assist it in its work.

The Joint Committee will have ongoing periodic follow-up with the Minister (or Departmental officials as appropriate) on progress made on implementation of recommendations made in Reports published by the Joint Committee.

It is also intended that the following specific items will be considered by the Joint Committee to the end of the year –

- ***Political priorities for the EU as set out in the Commission's State of the Union Address and the subsequent European Commission Work Programme 2012***

The Joint Committee will consider the political priorities for the EU as set out in the Commission's State Address which is delivered in the latter half of the year. The Joint Committee will also consider the European Commission's Work Programme 2012 when it is published in October/ November and will select policy initiatives and measures which the Joint Committee may consider in its Work Programme for the following year.

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- ***Priorities of the Polish Presidency of the EU***

The Polish Presidency has divided its programme into three key priorities:

- "European integration as the source of growth",
- a "Secure Europe" and
- a "Europe benefiting from openness".

The Committee will hear a presentation from the Ambassadors of the Trio Presidency led by the Polish Ambassador in early autumn on these topics.

- ***Unlawful access by third-parties of personal information on mobile telephones***

The Joint Committee will examine the current EU legislative position regarding the issue of unlawful access by third-parties of personal information on mobile telephones with a view to making a possible recommendation to the European Commission to bring forward draft legislation as part of its 2013 Work Programme to strengthen consumer protection in this area.

- ***Promote work of the Committee and prioritise engagement with the public***

The Joint Committee will work with and meet with the Communications Unit of the Houses of the Oireachtas to raise the profile of the Committee and to examine ways to actively engage with the public. The Committee believes that the Oireachtas should serve as an intermediary between the EU Institutions and citizens both taking account of the public's views and informing the public on EU activities.

- ***Preliminary planning for Ireland's Presidency of the Council of the European Union – January to June 2013***

The Joint Committee will commence a preliminary process to plan for the Parliamentary dimension of Ireland's Presidency and will explore options for the conduct of the presidency including its scope and activities and will seek to frame a vision for the presidency for recommendation to the Houses of the Oireachtas. Specifically, the Committee will actively cooperate, and will seek to meet in early 2012, with its Trio partner Presidencies, Lithuania, and Greece in the preparation for meetings of COSAC

In addition the Committee will consider ways in which it can make a constructive contribution to the definition of Ireland's priorities at a strategic level.

- ***EU's Humanitarian Aid Programme***

As the European Union is one of the world's largest humanitarian aid donors, the Joint Committee will engage with the relevant stakeholders, and meet as required, with the Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Trade to examine the effectiveness of the Programme and to consider current EU policies and legislative framework.

- ***Economic Recovery***

EU 2020 Strategy: The Joint Committee will seek to be briefed on progress in respect of the implementation of EU targets set in Europe 2020.

The Joint Committee will:

- seek to have regular updates on the Eurozone crisis as it pertains to Ireland and Europe at Committee meetings and space for scrutiny and discussion;
- undertake scrutiny of how European programmes and policies can be more effective and consistent on an All Ireland basis; and
- undertake scrutiny of the implications for Ireland of the Euro Pact and the European Stability Mechanism by the committee including public hearings with witnesses/guests endorsing and opposing same.

The Joint Committee will also meet, as required, with the Joint Committee on Finance, Public Expenditure and Reform to examine these issues.

- ***Multiannual Financial Framework***

The Commission published its proposals for the next Framework on 29th June this year. The negotiations on the proposals will commence during the Polish presidency. The Committee believes that the EU Budget should be sufficient to enable full implementation of the EU's commitments in the 2020 Strategy and must be adequate to fund a reform of the Common Agricultural Policy. The Joint Committee will seek a preliminary view from relevant stakeholders (including on the proposals with a view to the agreement of a contribution to be sent to the government and the EU institutions).

- ***Enlargement***

Enlargement is one of the priorities identified by the Polish presidency the presidency hopes to sign the Accession Treaty with Croatia. The presidency intends to seek opportunities to continue negotiations with Turkey, to make meaningful progress in the negotiations with Iceland and supports the European aspirations of the countries of the Western Balkans.

The Joint Committee will consider the progress made and will monitor negotiations at all stages.

NOTE: Following Ireland's NO vote on the Lisbon treaty in 2008 the European Council agreed that Ireland would be given legal guarantees clarifying aspects

of the Treaty and to include the provisions of the Decision as a protocol to be attached to the two founding treaties of the EU at the time of the conclusion of the next accession treaty which is almost certainly to be Croatia's.

3. Travel

Subject to Standing Order 83(9) [Dáil Éireann] and Standing Order 71(9) [Seanad Éireann], the Joint Committee may decide, subject to financial, administrative and procedural constraints, to undertake travel as it considers necessary to further progress the Work Programme. Such travel may include study visits, attendance at conferences or meetings, etc. on European-related issues within its remit under its Orders of Reference. Reports will be completed for all travel undertaken.

(i) Cooperation between national parliaments and the European Parliament under the aegis of COSAC

The Joint Committee will continue to represent the Oireachtas at meetings of COSAC (*Conference of Chairmen of European Affairs Committees of Member States and the European Parliament*) and seek to exchange ideas and information on best practice. The next COSAC meeting will be held in Warsaw from 2-4 October 2011.

(ii) Familiarisation visit to Brussels

The Joint Committee will undertake a familiarisation visit to Brussels in September and will arrange a programme which will consist of bilateral meetings on a range of EU policy areas with the relevant stakeholders.

4. Incoming Parliamentary Delegations

The Joint Committee will receive visits from members of parliaments, including European Affairs Committees of other EU member states, for discussion and exchange of information and ideas on matters of mutual interest, as required.

5. Number and Frequency of Meetings

Taking account of the resources and facilities available and the commitments of members, it is anticipated that the Joint Committee will meet fortnightly, with an additional monthly meetings with the Tánaiste and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade or the Minister of State with Special Responsibility for

European Affairs in advance of meetings of the General Affairs Council, in the course of 2011.

6. Select Committee

In view of the specific functions of the Select Committee, it is not possible to anticipate the number of meetings required during 2011. However, the Select Committee will convene as necessary to consider such matters as are referred to it within the prescribed timeframe.

7. Agreement of Work Programme.

This Work Programme for 2011 of the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs was agreed by the Committee at its meeting on 21 July 2011. In accordance with Standing Orders of Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann, it was agreed that the Work Programme be laid before both Houses of the Oireachtas.

It was also agreed that the Work Programme would be published on the Committee's page of the Oireachtas website.

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Joe Costello TD
Chairman

21 July 2011

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Appendix 1

Joint Committee on European Union Affairs

Dáil Éireann on 8 June 2011 ordered:

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| <p>"(1) Go gceapfar Roghchoiste, dá ngairfear an Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, ar a mbeidh 9 gcomhalta de Dháil Éireann, chun breithniú a dhéanamh ar cibé nithe a éiríonn—</p> <p>(a) as ballraíocht na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach agus</p> <p>(b) as Éirinn do chloí leis an gConradh ar an Aontas Eorpach agus leis an gConradh ar Fheidhmiú an Aontais Eorpaigh</p> <p>a roghnóidh sé agus nach bhfuil tarchurtha chuig aon Choiste eile.</p> <p>(2) Gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), breithneoidh an Coiste—</p> <p>(a) cibé Billí a bpléann an Roinn Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála leis an dlí reachtach ina leith,</p> <p>(b) cibé tograí a bheidh in aon tairiscint, lena n-áirítear aon tairiscint de réir bhrí Bhuan-Ordú 164, agus</p> <p>(c) cibé nithe eile,</p> <p>a tharchuirfidh an Dáil chuige.</p> <p>(3) Beidh an tAire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó comhalta den Rialtas nó Aire Stáit a ainmneofar chun gníomhú ina áit nó ina háit chun na críche sin), ina chomhalta nó ina comhalta ex officio den Roghchoiste chun na nithe atá leagtha amach i mír (2)(a) agus (b) a bhreithniú agus beidh sé nó sí i dteideal vótáil in imeachtaí an Roghchoiste.</p> | <p>(1) That a Select Committee, which shall be called the Select Committee on European Union Affairs, consisting of nine members of Dáil Éireann, be appointed to consider such matters arising from—</p> <p>(a) Ireland's membership of the European Union, and</p> <p>(b) Ireland's adherence to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,</p> <p>as it may select and which are not referred to any other Committee.</p> <p>(2) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider such—</p> <p>(a) Bills the statute law in respect of which is dealt with by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade,</p> <p>(b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Standing Order 164, and</p> <p>(c) other matters,</p> <p>as shall be referred to it by the Dáil.</p> <p>(3) The Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or a member of the Government or Minister of State nominated to act in his or her stead for that purpose) shall be an ex officio member of the Select Committee for the purpose of consideration of the matters outlined at paragraph (2)(a) and (b) and shall be entitled to vote in Select Committee proceedings.</p> |
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| <p>(4) Beidh ag an gCoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Ordú 83(1), (2) agus (3).</p> <p>(5) Déanfar an Roghchoiste a chomhcheangal le Roghchoiste arna cheapadh ag Seanad Éireann chun bheith ina Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, agus, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), déanfaidh an Roghchoiste an méid seo a leanas a bhreithniú—</p> <p>(a) doiciméid phleanála straitéiseacha Choimisiún AE lena n-áirítear Clár Oibre an Choimisiúin,</p> <p>(b) forbairtí beartais tras-earnála ag leibhéal an Aontais Eorpaigh,</p> <p>(c) nithe a liostaítear lena mbreithniú ar an gclár gnó i gcomhair cruinnithe de Chomhairle Gnóthaí Ginearálta na nAirí agus toradh cruinnithe den sórt sin.</p> <p>(d) cibé rialacháin faoi Achtanna na gComhphobal Eorpach, 1972 go 2009 agus ionstraimí eile arna ndéanamh faoi reacht agus is gá de dhroim na n-oibleagáidí a ghabhann le ballraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a roghnóidh an Coiste,</p> <p>(e) fógraí arna dtarchur ag an Dáil faoi Bhuan-Ordú 106(1)(a),</p> <p>(f) fógraí i dtaobh tograí chun na Conarthaí a leasú a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 48.2 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach,</p> <p>(g) fógraí i dtaobh iarratas ar bhallraíocht san Aontas Eorpach a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 49 den Chonradh</p> | <p>(4) The Select Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Order 83(1), (2) and (3).</p> <p>(5) The Select Committee shall be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann, to form the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs, which, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), shall consider—</p> <p>(a) the EU Commission's strategic planning documents including the Commission Work Programme,</p> <p>(b) cross-sectoral policy developments at European Union level,</p> <p>(c) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the General Affairs Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings,</p> <p>(d) such regulations under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009 and other instruments made under statute and necessitated by the obligations of membership of the European Union as the Committee may select,</p> <p>(e) notifications referred by the Dáil under Standing Order 106(1)(a),</p> <p>(f) notifications of proposals for the amendment of the Treaties received from the European Council pursuant to Article 48.2 of the Treaty on European Union,</p> <p>(g) notifications of applications for membership of the European Union received from the European Council pursuant to Article 49 of the</p> |
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| <p>(h) cibé nithe eile a tharchuirfidh an Dáil chuige ó am go ham.</p> <p>(6) Tabharfaidh an Comhchoiste tuarascáil do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ar oibriú Acht an Aontais Eorpaigh (Grinnscrúdú), 2002.</p> <p>(7) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Orduithe 83 (seachas mír (2A) den chéanna), 106(1)(a) agus 107.</p> <p>(8) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste an chumhacht chun moltaí a dhéanamh chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó chun Aire Stáit) i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an Aontas Eorpach.</p> <p>(9) Féadfaidh na daoine seo a leanas freastal ar chruinnithe den Chomhchoiste agus páirt a ghlacadh in imeachtaí gan ceart vótála a bheith acu ná ceart tairiscintí a dhéanamh ná leasuithe a thairiscint:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(a) Comhaltaí de Pharlaimint na hEorpa arna dtoghadh ó thoghcheantair in Éirinn, lena n-áirítear Tuaisceart Éireann,</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(b) Comhaltaí de thoscaireacht na hÉireann chuig Tionól Parlaiminteach Chomhairle na hEorpa, agus</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(c) ar chuireadh a fháil ón gCoiste, Comhaltaí eile de Pharlaimint na hEorpa.</p> <p>(10) Déanfaidh an Comhchoiste ionadaíocht do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ag Comhdháil na gCoistí um Ghnóthaí Comhphobail agus Eorpacha de chuid Pharlaimintí an Aontais Eorpaigh (COSAC) agus</p> | <p>(h) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil from time to time.</p> <p>(6) The Joint Committee shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.</p> <p>(7) The Joint Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Orders 83 (other than paragraph (2A) thereof), 105, 106(1)(a) and 107.</p> <p>(8) The Joint Committee shall have the power to make recommendations to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or Minister of State) on European Union matters.</p> <p>(9) The following may attend meetings of the Joint Committee and take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(a) Members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(b) Members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">(c) at the invitation of the Committee, other Members of the European Parliament.</p> <p>(10) The Joint Committee shall represent both Houses of the Oireachtas at the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) and shall report to both Houses of</p> |
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tabharfaidh sé tuarascáil ar an gcéanna do dhá Theach an Oireachtais.

- (11) Beidh Cathaoirleach an Roghchoiste, ar comhalta de Dháil Éireann a bheidh ann nó inti, ina Chathaoirleach nó ina Cathaoirleach ar an gComhchoiste freisin.

the Oireachtas thereon.

- (11) The Chairman of the Joint Committee, who shall be a member of Dáil Éireann, shall also be Chairman of the Select Committee."

Seanad Éireann on 16 June 2011 ordered:

"(1) Go gceapfar Roghchoiste, dá ngairfear an Roghchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, ar a mbeidh 5 chomhalta de Sheanad Éireann, chun breithniú a dhéanamh ar cibé nithe a éiríonn—

- (a) as ballraíocht na hÉireann san Aontas Eorpach agus
- (b) as Éirinn do chloí leis an gConradh ar an Aontas Eorpach agus leis an gConradh ar Fheidhmiú an Aontais Eorpaigh

a roghnóidh sé agus nach bhfuil tarchurtha chuig aon Choiste eile.

(2) Déanfar an Roghchoiste a chomhcheangal le Roghchoiste arna cheapadh ag Dáil Éireann chun bheith ina Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí an Aontais Eorpaigh, agus, gan dochar do ghinearáltacht mhír (1), déanfaidh an Comhchoiste an méid seo a leanas a bhreithniú—

- (a) doiciméid phleanála straitéiseacha Choimisiún AE lena n-áirítear Clár Oibre an Choimisiúin,
- (b) forbairtí beartais tras-earnála ag leibhéal an Aontais Eorpaigh,
- (c) nithe a liostaítear lena mbreithniú ar an gclár gnó i gcomhair cruinnithe de Chomhairle Gnóthaí Ginearálta na nAirí agus toradh cruinnithe den sórt sin.

(d) cibé rialacháin faoi Achtanna na gComhphobal Eorpach, 1972 go 2009 agus ionstraimí eile arna ndéanamh faoi reacht agus is gá de dhroim na n-oibleagáidí a ghabhann le ballraíocht san Aontas

(1) That a Select Committee, which shall be called the Select Committee on European Union Affairs, consisting of 5 members of Seanad Éireann, be appointed to consider such matters arising from—

- (a) Ireland's membership of the European Union, and
- (b) Ireland's adherence to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

as it may select and which are not referred to any other Committee.

(2) The Select Committee shall be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Dáil Éireann, to form the Joint Committee on European Union Affairs, which, without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), shall consider—

- (a) the EU Commission's strategic planning documents including the Commission Work Programme,
- (b) cross-sectoral policy developments at European Union level,
- (c) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the General Affairs Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings,

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(e) fógraí arna dtarchur ag an Seanad faoi Bhuan-Ordú 102(1)(a),	(e) notifications referred by the Seanad under Standing Order 102 (1)(a),
(f) fógraí i dtaobh tograí chun na Conarthaí a leasú a fuarthas ón gComhairle Eorpach de bhun Airteagal 48.2 den Chonradh ar an Aontas Eorpach,	(f) notifications of proposals for the amendment of the Treaties received from the European Council pursuant to Article 48.2 of the Treaty on European Union,
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(h) cibé nithe eile a tharchuirfidh an Seanad chuige ó am go ham.	(h) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Seanad from time to time.
(3) Tabharfaidh an Comhchoiste tuarascáil do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ar oibriú Acht an Aontais Eorpaigh (Grinnscrúdú), 2002.	(3) The Joint Committee shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas on the operation of the European Union (Scrutiny) Act 2002.
(4) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste na cumhachtaí a mhínítear i mBuan-Ordúithe 71 (seachas mír (2A) den chéanna), 101, 102(1)(a) agus 103.	(4) The Joint Committee shall have the powers defined in Standing Orders 71 (other than paragraph (2A) thereof), 101, 102(1)(a) and 103.
(5) Beidh ag an gComhchoiste an chumhacht chun moltaí a dhéanamh chun an Aire Gnóthaí Eachtracha agus Trádála (nó chun Aire Stáit) i dtaobh nithe a bhaineann leis an Aontas Eorpach.	(5) The Joint Committee shall have the power to make recommendations to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade (or Minister of State) on European Union matters.
(6) Féadfaidh na daoine seo a leanas freastal ar chruinnithe den Chomhchoiste agus páirt a ghlacadh in imeachtaí gan ceart vótála a bheith acu ná ceart tairiscintí a dhéanamh ná leasuithe a thairiscint:	(6) The following may attend meetings of the Joint Committee and take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
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| <p>(b) Comhaltaí de thoscaireacht na hÉireann chuig Tionól Parlaiminteach Chomhairle na hEorpa, agus</p> <p>(c) ar chuireadh a fháil ón gCoiste, Comhaltaí eile de Pharlaimint na hEorpa.</p> | <p>(b) Members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and</p> <p>(c) at the invitation of the Committee, other Members of the European Parliament.</p> |
| <p>(7) Déanfaidh an Comhchoiste ionadaíocht do dhá Theach an Oireachtais ag Comhdháil na gCoistí um Ghnóthaí Comhphobail agus Eorpacha de chuid Pharlaimintí an Aontais Eorpaigh (COSAC) agus tabharfaidh sé tuarascáil ar an gcéanna do dhá Theach an Oireachtais.</p> | <p>(7) The Joint Committee shall represent both Houses of the Oireachtas at the Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the European Union (COSAC) and shall report to both Houses of the Oireachtas thereon.</p> |
| <p>(8) Beidh Cathaoirleach an Chomhchoiste ina chomhalta nó ina comhalta de Dháil Éireann.</p> | <p>(8) The Chairman of the Joint Committee shall be a member of Dáil Éireann.</p> |