# **European and External Affairs Committee**

# EUR2 02-05 (p10)

Date: 24 February 2005 Time: 9.00 to 12.30

Venue: National Assembly for Wales, Cardiff Bay

Title: Scrutinising EU legislation

#### **Purpose**

1 This paper contains a list of all the EU documents relevant to the European and External Affairs Committee, deposited in the UK Parliament since the Committee's last meeting.

#### Action

2. Members are invited to note the list of documents.

## **Background**

- 3 At its meeting on 9 October 2003 the European and External Affairs Committee agreed proposals for more proactive scrutiny of European legislation. The Panel of Chairs subsequently endorsed the Committee's proposals.
- 4 The attached Annexes contain details of all the EU documents relevant to Assembly Committees deposited in the UK Parliament since this Committee's last meeting. Annex A contains overviews of the documents relevant to this Committee, and Annex B lists all documents for Members to note for information.

Copies of the documents listed are available on the Assembly Internet at <a href="http://www.wales.gov.uk/">http://www.wales.gov.uk/</a> <a href="http://www.wales.gov.uk/">keypubassemeuropeancomm2/content/reports-euleg-e.htm</a>

### **Members' Research and Committee Service**

#### Annex A

Legislative proposals of interest to the European and External Affairs Committee, deposited in the UK Parliament (from 11 January 2005 to 16 February 2005)

MRCS Ref.	Title	Commentary and relevance to Wales	Opportunity and timescale for action
None for this committee.			

# Non-legislative documents of interest to the European and External Affairs Committee, deposited in the UK Parliament (from 11 January 2005 to 16 February 2005)

MRCS Ref.	Title
1337	EU Ref: COM(2004) 811 Title: Green Paper on an EU approach to managing economic migration. Link: <a href="http://www.wales.gov.uk/keypubassemeuropeancomm2/content/euleg050117/5436-05.pdf">http://www.wales.gov.uk/keypubassemeuropeancomm2/content/euleg050117/5436-05.pdf</a>

#### **Commentary and relevance to Wales**

The Green Paper looks at admissions procedures for the economic migration of third country nationals into EU countries. The paper aims to launch a discussion on the most appropriate form of Community rules for admitting economic migrants, and on the added value of adopting such a common framework.

The Green Paper asks specific questions throughout.

This document has also been highlighted as being of interest to other Assembly committees.

#### Opportunity and timescale for action

The Commission will be holding a public hearing this year to discuss the issue with all the stakeholders involved.

Responses to the Green Paper should be sent to the address outlined on page 12, by 15 April 2005.

Remaining legislative and non-legislative documents deposited in this subject area and not considered of interest Annex B

MRCS Ref.	Title	
1299	COM(2004) 766 final – Report from the Commission concerning the Annual Report on the Cohesion Fund (2003)	
1298	SEC(2004) 1470 – Annex to the Annual Report on the Cohesion Fund (2003)	