

**AGENDA**

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from:	Secretariat
for:	Working Group on Defence
Subject:	<b>Agenda for the meeting on 29 October 2002</b>

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The agenda for the above meeting is as follows:

**I. Apart from the Petersberg tasks, what defence remit could be envisaged for the Union?**

**Exchange of views, particularly on the following questions:**

- Are the Petersberg tasks as set out in the Treaty still relevant? Can they be adapted/modernised/made more flexible to take into account the new security environment?
- Should explicit provision be made for the use of the military capabilities and structures foreseen for ESDP inside the EU in the event of a security threat such as terrorist attack?
- Should a solidarity commitment be introduced into the Treaty providing for mutual assistance? What form might this take (voluntary opt-in)?
- How can the Union develop a comprehensive and coherent security concept, drawing on the range of civilian/military capabilities at its disposal? What should be the role of the High Representative in the area of Defence?

**II. Hearing of Lord George Robertson, NATO Secretary General, Former United Kingdom Secretary of State for Defense followed by a general exchange of views.**

**III. Other**

The attention of the members is drawn to the change of the beginning of the meeting, which will start at 15.30 and end at 18.00 in Room S4 of the Charlemagne Building.

Each member of the Group is entitled to be accompanied by an assistant to follow proceedings, who must be appointed in advance. Members who have not yet confirmed the name and e-mail address of the assistant who will accompany them to meetings are kindly requested to do so to Ms Marian Fouhy ([marian.fouhy@consilium.eu.int](mailto:marian.fouhy@consilium.eu.int)).