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During the course of our discussions over the past two days a wealth of ideas have been broached and the depth of the debate must be a testimony to the ascending profile of the Forum, as well as a hallmark for the success of the Belgian Chairmanship.

We welcome and take note of the proposals made, including those by the Chairman in Office.

It must be evident by now that we focus on issues of competence of the Forum in terms of its decision making perhaps a little more keenly than others.

In this vein, we shall give further consideration to the recommendations made, in order for a thorough understanding of their implications, including those in the financial domain.

The Permanent Council, in its consideration of the Forum "outcomes" may choose to develop a draft decision, consolidating in a compact document those recommendations that have the potential to achieve the Council's endorsement.

We shall be happy to take part in such a process.