Déardaoin, 26 Eanáir, 2006 Thursday, 26th January, 2006

10.30 a.m.

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# GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

**45.** Tairiscint *maidir leis* an Treoir Seirbhísí (*atógáil*). Motion *re* Services Directive (*resumed*).

# ORD GNÓ ORDER OF BUSINESS

**1.** An Bille Iomaíochta (Leasú) 2005 [Seanad] — An Dara Céim. Competition (Amendment) Bill 2005 [Seanad] — Second Stage.

# FÓGRA I dTAOBH GNÓ NUA NOTICE OF NEW BUSINESS

- **3a.** An Bille um an Ochtú Leasú is Fiche ar an mBunreacht 2006 An Chéad Chéim. Twenty-eighth Amendment of the Constitution Bill 2006 First Stage.
- **17a.** Tairiscint *maidir le* Ceadú beartaithe ag Dáil Éireann i ndáil leis na dréacht-Rialacháin um Acht na gCuideachtaí (Iniúchadh agus Cuntasaíocht) 2003 (Comhlachtaí Cuntasóireachta Forordaithe) 2006.
  - Motion *re* Proposed approval by Dáil Éireann of the draft Companies (Auditing and Accounting) Act 2003 (Prescribed Accountancy Bodies) Regulations 2006.

# I dTOSACH GNÓ PHOIBLÍ AT THE COMMENCEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

Billí ón Seanad : Bills from the Seanad

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Bille dá ngairtear Acht chun an Bill entitled an Act to amend the Bunreacht a leasú.

Constitution.

— Michael D. Higgins.

Fógraí Tairisceana: Notices of Motions

**17a.** "Go gceadaíonn Dáil Éireann an Ionstraim Reachtúil seo a leanas ina dréacht:

That Dáil Éireann approves the following Statutory Instrument in draft:

Na Rialacháin um Acht na gCuideachtaí (Iniúchadh agus Cuntasaíocht) 2003 (Comhlachtaí Cuntasóireachta Forordaithe) 2006,

Companies (Auditing and Accounting) Act 2003 (Prescribed Accountancy Bodies) Regulations 2006,

leagadh cóipeanna di ina dréacht faoi bhráid Dháil Éireann an 24 Eanáir, 2006. copies of which have been laid in draft form before Dáil Éireann on 24th January, 2006."

— An tAire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta.

# GNÓ COMHALTAÍ PRÍOBHÁIDEACHA PRIVATE MEMBERS' BUSINESS

Tairiscint (atógáil) (1 ur. 30 n fágtha): Motion (resumed) (1 hr. 30 m remaining):

45. "That Dáil Éireann.

notes:

- that services within the European Union account for 56% of G.D.P. and 70% of employment and are therefore crucial to growth and employment levels;
- the grave concern among citizens and trade union organisations within the European Union about the implications of the Directive on Services in the Internal market issued on behalf of the European Commission on 13th January, 2004 by Commissioner Bolkestein;
- the analysis by the European Trade Union Confederation stating that the Directive would allow companies registered in E.U. countries with minimal labour standards to operate their standards throughout the E.U. the so called 'country of origin' principle;
- the well founded fears that the Services Directive would be used by some employers to undermine established rates of pay, safe and reasonable working conditions

negotiated by workers through their trade unions, and also undermine the ability of other employers to compete in the future;

- that, if implemented, the Services Directive could legitimise exploitation such as that of the migrant Turkish workers by the multinational company, Gama, exposed during 2005, and the recent revelations concerning mushroom pickers in Kilnaleck, Co. Cavan;
- the attempt by Irish Ferries to replace permanent crews on trade union negotiated rates of pay and conditions with low waged Eastern European labour;

### and further notes:

- the need to promote social solidarity as a core value between E.U. citizens;
- the need to prevent any undermining of employment standards and health and safety standards in the services industry and to prevent the practise of social dumping;
- the desirability of developing a social model which has the trust and confidence of E.U. citizens and which promotes high quality public services, consumer protection and democratic accountability and workers rights;

deplores the fact that the Government has supported the proposed Services Directive which would have damaging economic and social implications and, aware that the President of the European Commission, Mr. Barosso, has stated in the context of this Directive that the concerns of the different sectors must be taken on board and also that the Austrian Economic Minister Martin Bartenstein said in his statement that a precondition for the success of the Services Directive would be that it convincingly excludes wage and social dumping, calls on the Government to state that in the context of the next partnership negotiations that it will reject the proposed Services Directive and, in particular, the 'country of origin' principle." — Marian Harkin, James Breen, Paudge Connolly, Jerry Cowley, Tony Gregory, Seamus Healy, Joe Higgins, Finian McGrath, Paddy McHugh, Catherine Murphy.

Leasú (atógáil):

Amendment (resumed):

1. To delete all words after "Dáil Éireann" and substitute the following:

# "notes:

- the importance of services as a component of GDP and employment in the Euopean Union;
- that Ireland is now the 14th largest per capita exporter of services in the world, that our total share of world services has increased markedly from 0.38% in 1993 to 2.2% in 2004; and that both our employment and export growth in high value added internationally trades services activities has offset reductions in manufacturing;
- that it is very much in Ireland's interest that there should be an open single market in services in Europe in terms of employment prospects, trade opportunities, consumer choice and welfare enhancement;
- the analysis of various European Economic Institutes and the Forfas Impact assessment of the benefits of opening the European Services market, to the effect that there would be a welfare enhancement in Europe of the order of 40 billion euro and over 500,000 jobs and in the case of Ireland of some 400 million euro;
- the technical progress that has been made on aspects of the draft Directive to date aimed at ensuring standards generally, and especially employment conditions, are protected while at the same time seeking to ensure that the benefits of opening the services market in Europe will be attainable;

— that the European Commission is expected, over the coming months, to introduce amendments to the draft Directive and that these will be considered with an open mind, and in full consultation with stakeholders, with the objective of securing the optimum outcome for Ireland's and Europe's economic and welfare interests including the protection of employment standards." — An tAire Fiontar, Trádála agus Fostaíochta.

#### MEMORANDA

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Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Fhiontraíocht agus Mionghnóthaí i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Enterprise and Small Business in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

# An Bille um Bord Leigheasra na hÉireann [Forálacha Ilghnéitheacha 2005 [Seanad]: Irish Medicines Board (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill 2005 [Seanad]:

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Shláinte agus Leanaí i Seomra Coiste 2, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Health and Children in Committee Room 2, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Fhochoiste um Iniúchadh Eorpach i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 9.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Sub-Committee on European Scrutiny in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 9.30 a.m.

# An Bille Iascaigh Mara agus Dlínse Muirí 2005:

**Sea-Fisheries and Maritime Jurisdiction Bill 2005:** 

Cruinniú den Roghchoiste um Chumarsáid, Muir agus Acmhainní Nádúrtha i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 10 a.m.

Meeting of the Select Committee on Communications, Marine and Natural Resources in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 10 a.m.

Cruinniú den Choiste um Chuntais Phoiblí i Seomra Coiste 1, TL2000, ar 11 a.m. Meeting of the Committee of Public Accounts in Committee Room 1, LH2000, at 11 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Oideachas agus Eolaíocht i Seomra Coiste 3, TL2000, ar 11.30 a.m.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on Education and Science in Committee Room 3, LH2000, at 11.30 a.m.

Cruinniú den Chomhchoiste um Ghnóthaí Eorpacha i Seomra Coiste 4, TL2000, ar 12 meán lae.

Meeting of the Joint Committee on European Affairs in Committee Room 4, LH2000, at 12 noon.

# SCRÍBHINNÍ A LEAGADH FAOI BHRÁID NA DÁLA DOCUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE DÁIL

### Reachtúil:

- 1) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le síniú agus cur chun feidhme sealadach an Chomhaontaithe idir an Comhphobal Eorpach agus Rialtas Phoblacht Singeapór ar ghnéithe áirithe d'aersheirbhísí [agus] Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le críochnú an Chomhaontaithe idir an Comhphobal Eorpach agus Rialtas Phoblacht Singeapór ar ghnéithe áirithe d'aersheirbhísí mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2005) 513.
- 2) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le síniú thar ceann an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh agus cur chun feidhme sealadach an Chomhaontaithe ar mhodh malartú litreacha lena leathnaítear an Prótacal inar leagadh amach na deiseanna iascaireachta agus an ranníocaíocht airgid dá bhforáiltear sa Chomhaontú idir Comhphobal Eacnamaíochta na hEorpa agus Rialtas Phoblacht Dhaonlathach São Tomé agus Príncipe maidir le hiascaireacht amach ó chósta São Tomé agus Príncipe i leith na tréimhse 1 Meitheamh, 2005 go 31 Bealtaine, 2006 mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2005) 631.
- 3) Togra le haghaidh Cinnidh ón gComhairle maidir le síniú, thar ceann an Chomhphobail Eorpaigh, agus cur chun feidhme sealadach an Chomhaontaithe ar mhodh Malartú Litreacha i leith na leasuithe ar an bPrótacal inar leagadh amach na deiseanna iascaireachta agus an ranníocaíocht airgid dá bhforáiltear sa Chomhaontú maidir le comhoibriú in earnáil an iascaigh mhara idir an Comhphobal Eorpach agus Poblacht Ioslamach na Máratáine i leith na tréimhse 1 Lúnasa, 2001 go 31 Iúil, 2006 mar aon le nóta faisnéise míniúcháin. COM (2005) 584.
- 4) An Rialtóir Airgeadais. Ráiteas Ioncaim agus Caiteachais Mheasta don bhliain dar críoch 31 Nollaig, 2006.
- 5) An tOrdú fán Acht um Scéim Náisiúnta Dearbhaithe Mairteola 2000 (Ceadú) 2005 (I.R. Uimh. 806 de 2005).
- 6) Bord Leigheasra na hÉireann. Ráitis Airgeadais, 2004.
- 7) An Roinn Gnothaí Eachtracha. Ráiteas Straitéise, 2005-2007.

### Statutory:

- 1) Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature and provisional application of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of Singapore on certain aspects of air services [and] Proposal for a Council Decision on the conclusion of the Agreement between the European Community and the Government of the Republic of Singapore on certain aspects of air services together with explanatory information note. COM (2005) 513.
- 2) Proposal for a Council Decision on the signing on behalf of the European Community and provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an exchange of letters extending the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and financial contribution provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Government of the Democratic Republic of São Tomé and Príncipe on fishing off the coast of São Tomé and Príncipe for the period from 1 June, 2005 to 31 May, 2006 together with explanatory information note. COM (2005) 631.
- 3) Proposal for a Council Decision on the signature, on behalf of the European Community, and the provisional application of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters concerning the amendments to the Protocol setting out the fishing opportunities and the financial contribution provided for in the Agreement on cooperation in the sea fisheries sector between the European Community and the Islamic Republic of Mauritania for the period 1 August, 2001 to 31 July, 2006 together with explanatory information note. COM (2005) 584.
- 4) Financial Regulator. Statement of Estimated Income and Expenditure for the year ending 31 December, 2006.
- 5) National Beef Assurance Scheme Act 2000 (Approval) Order 2005 (S.I. No. 806 of 2005).
- 6) Irish Medicines Board. Financial Statements, 2004.
- 7) Department of Foreign Affairs. Statement of Strategy, 2005-2007.

# Neamhreachtúil:

- 1) Rialacháin na gComhphobal Eorpach (Fliú Éanúil) (Rialú ar Allmhairí Cleití ó Thríú Tíortha Áirithe) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 11 de 2006).
- 2) An tOrdú um an Registration of Marriages (Ireland) Act 1863 (Alt 8) (Luimneach) 2006 (I.R. Uimh. 12 de 2006).

# Non-Statutory:

- 1) European Communities (Avian Influenza) (Control on Imports of Feathers from Certain Third Countries) Regulations 2006 (S.I. No. 11 of 2006).
- 2) Registration of Marriages (Ireland) Act 1863 (Section 8) (Limerick) Order 2006 (S.I. No. 12 of 2006).