New strategy for Afghanistan

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Following the discussion by development ministers of 9 December 2010 on the EU-Afghanistan strategy, the Council exchanged views on the political situation in Afghanistan after the elections.

It underlined the EU's commitment and the need for long-term engagement, expressing appreciation for the work of EU Special Representative Vygaudas Ušackas.

It looked at the specific areas where the EU can apply its strengths:

- justice sector,
- human and notably women's rights,
- civil service reform;
- electoral reform;
- police reform - with EUPOL Afghanistan playing an important role - as the main priorities.