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The Council held a policy debate on the draft Directive regarding the security of supply of petroleum products. Summing up the debate, the president noted that a majority of delegations were agreed that the main objective of the Directive should be the security of energy supply. He concluded that existing mechanisms and instruments - possibly to be updated - have been shown to be both sufficient and efficient in the light of the recent international events. Nevertheless, a closer link could be forged between Community crisis procedures and International Energy Agency mechanisms in order to maximise synergies between them.