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### **OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS**

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of : Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE / Mixed Committee EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)  
on : 20 December 2012  
Subject: Summary of discussions

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#### **1. Adoption of the agenda**

The agenda, as set out in CM 5770/1/12 REV 1 of 19 December 2012 was adopted.

#### **2. Report by the Presidency**

The Presidency gave an overview of the SIS related meetings since the date of the last meeting.

#### **3. Financial Aspects**

##### **2013 SISNET Draft Budget**

17447/12 SIRIS 114 COMIX 721

The SISNET service officer introduced the document to the group and explained that there would only be 1 contribution asked from the Member States during 2013. The group approved document 17447/12.

#### **4. SISNET Contract Termination**

16707/1/12 REV 1 SIS-TECH 104 SIRIS 102 VISA 231 COMIX 664

The SISNET service officer introduced the document. The group approved the document and agreed to the recommendation not to give notice of contract termination by 9 January 2013.

## **5. SIS II – state of play**

COM gave an overview of the state of play of the project. In reply to questions, FI explained that there were different options and that it needed a ministerial decision on which approach to choose. FI stated it worked with the intention to stay within the time-table foreseen for the entry into operations.

## **6. SIRENE Functional Test – Presentation of the report of the SIRENE Functional test** 17372/12 SIRIS 113 COMIX 716

The Presidency thanked DE for its work on the matrix. The group took note of the outcome of the SIRENE functional tests. BE, CZ and SE would take part in a rerun beginning 28/1/2013. FI had no planning yet for its rerun. The rerun would use the same data as for the first run. The rerun would make use of DEBS v. 1.3 as in the first test. The updated version DEBS 1.3.1 would be used for the additional tests. DE was asked whether it could prepare the matrix. Information about the additional tests would be prepared in a small committee.

## **7. Report about the SIRENE Functional Test Workshop and SIRENE Task Force meetings**

The group took note of the information.

## **8. Training issues - Fact Sheets**

Delegations discussed the fact sheets. Questions were asked whether there was a need for fact sheets 19 and 20, since that information would be available in the SIRENE manual. For fact sheet 21 national information needed to be added. Delegations were requested to send in comments by 9/1 stating their opinion on the further handling of the fact sheets.

CEPOL gave an introduction to its plans for 2013. A basic SIRENE seminar would be organised in DE, with an advanced seminar in LV. Discussions were under way with the IT agency in view of cooperation on the development of training.

DE asked whether the trainer manuals arrived at the Council Secretariat. The Council Secretariat stated it had not received the trainer manuals. CH reported about the basic seminar that was held in CH in November. CH thanked CEPOL and the trainers for their contribution.

## **9. Data mapping and cleansing**

The Presidency asked delegations to step up their efforts to clean up the SIS1+ data.

## **10. Presentation of :**

- **Implementation of Article 102A: Opinion of the Schengen Joint Supervisory Authority on the Council's draft report  
9217/12 SIRIS 26 SCHENGEN 28 ENFOPOL 122 COMIX 271 + COR 1  
SCHAC 2501/12**
- **Report of the Schengen Joint Supervisory Authority on the follow-up of the recommendations concerning the use of Article 99 alerts in the Schengen Information System  
13851/12 SIRIS 75 COMIX 501**
- **Letter to the Presidency on data protection practice issues raised by inspections of external representations and their service providers.**

The JSA representative presented the documents on the above topics. The JSA underlined the importance of logging and in that respect referred to the amount of queries mentioned in document SIRIS 26.

AT pointed out several discrepancies between the hit figures of the different tables. The Council Secretariat would check the document. DK remarked that the information that DK had not yet fully implemented Article 102A was not correct.

Delegations were requested to send their remarks on document SIRIS 26 by 9 January 2013. The group took note of the other documents.

## **11. End user access to the European Arrest Warrant in SIS II**

17489/12 SIRIS 115 COPEN 271 ENFOPOL 410 COMIX 725

The document showed that most MS make information on the EAW only available to the SIRENE bureau, a few give access to the end users. The group took note of the document.

## **12. Better use of SIS and SIRENE for the protection of children. Unaccompanied minors.**

### **Next steps.**

13247/12 SIRIS 71 COMIX 471 ADD 1 REV 1

IT presented the document and concluded that good work had been done. The delegation explained that it had applied for a pilot project at COM concerning unaccompanied minors and made a call for partnership to the delegations. The deadline for the application was 8/1/2013, so replies were asked as soon as possible. Delegations participating would not be asked for a financial contribution, but were asked for support for the project. No specific skills had been defined for the persons that participated, though they should be able to make a contribution on the issue. IT intended to look for a possible role for the SIRENE bureau in the preventive phase. IT would send out an e-mail with further information.

## **13. Third-country nationals: lists of alerts**

9352/12 SIRIS 28 PESC 534 RELEX 386 JAI 296 COMIX 279 ADD 1 REV 1

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The Presidency explained that only 13 replies had been received and urged delegations to send in their replies by 9/1/2013.

## **14. Summary of the Cyprus Presidency**

The Presidency gave an overview of its achievements. The group took note of the presentation.

## **15. Presentation of the incoming Irish Presidency**

The incoming Presidency thanked CY and gave an overview of the challenges ahead. The group took note of the presentation.

## **16. Any other business**

- The HU head of SIRENE would take another position as from January 2013
- CZ explained that its international section was going to be reorganised.
- UK explained that the Home Secretary was examining the question of the UK opt-out / opt-ins for ex-3rd pillar matters (130 issues) as foreseen in the Lisbon Treaty. To UK could opt out of a number of matters and opt back in to a selected number of measures.
- The Presidency asked delegations to send in their hit statistics for 2012.

## **17. Confirmation by the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) of the decisions prepared in the Mixed Committee**

The Mixed Committee was informed of the decisions taken by the Working Party.

Approved the 2013 SISNET draft budget in document 17447/12.

Approved recommendation not to give contract termination for SISNET as proposed in doc. 16707/1/12.

Delegations were requested by 9/1/2013

- to comment on how they saw further handling of the training fact sheets
- to comment on the draft report on the implementation of Art. 102A ( document 9217/12)
- to contribute to the document on alerts for third country nationals (document 9352/12)

GSC was requested to check document 9217/12.

Delegations were invited to consider partnership with IT for the pilot project on unaccompanied minors.

Delegations were requested to step up their efforts in regards to data cleansing and mapping.

Delegations were requested to send in their hit statistics for 2012.

### List of non-standard documents discussed during the meeting

DS 1839/12	Presidency: Fact Sheets 18: Exploiting IT solutions in order to optimise the exchange of information
DS 1840/12	Presidency: Fact Sheets 19 : Art.95 CISA Art.26 SIS II Decision
DS 1841/12	Presidency: Fact Sheets 20 : Art. 95 CISA Art.26 SIS II Decision
DS 1842/12	Presidency: Fact Sheets 21 : Separate M forms to all Member States informing about the arrest, extradition of the WP and deletion of the alert