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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

of: Working Party on Terrorism

on: 24th April 2013

Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of Agenda

The agenda set out in CM 2358/1/13 REV 1 was adopted with the withdrawal of point 8.

2. Information by the Presidency

The Presidency provided some information on a stakeholder workshop on inhibiting the manufacture of illicit explosives organised by PREVAIL in September in Sweden.

3. Incidents of Significant Interest

Some delegations provided information on incidents of significant interest in their countries. The UK delegation informed the group that the Contest Annual Report 2012 had been published.

4. Council Conclusions Calling for an Update of the EU Strategy for Combating Radicalisation and Recruitment to Terrorism

The Presidency recalled that at the March meeting it had announced its intention to present draft Council Conclusions to the TWP with the aim of having them adopted by the Council in June. The conclusions would aim to agree on the need for an update of the Strategy on radicalisation and recruitment and to set out broad parameters for the revised strategy; they would be intended to act as a platform from which an update of the strategy could be launched. A first draft had been circulated at the end of March (doc. DS 1223/13) and had been revised following remarks and suggestions by delegations. A revised draft of the conclusions was open for discussion in the TWP as set out in doc. 7785/13 JAI 229 ENFOPOL 82 COTER 32.

Several delegations proposed amendments. The Presidency announced that a revised draft of the conclusions would be available at the end of the meeting, and gave a deadline for MS to consult internally until Tuesday 30 April cob. In the absence of comments the draft Council Conclusions would be deemed to be endorsed. The item was also on the agenda of the CATS meeting on 8 May, but the Presidency would withdraw it from the agenda if agreement were reached on 30 April.

The LT delegation said that it intended to undertake efforts towards the revision of the strategy during its incoming Presidency, bearing also in mind the need to coordinate with the work carried out in parallel by the Commission.

5. Community Policing within the Muslim Community - Presentation by IE

The IE delegation made a presentation on community policing within the Muslim Community in Ireland.

6. The Irish Experience - Foreign Fighters

The IE delegation made a presentation about the Irish experience with regard to foreign fighters.

7. EU INTCEN presentation on Syria - EU Confidential

A representative of IntCen made a presentation about Syria. The BE delegation provided some information on the issue of foreign fighters.

8. Follow up security situation in the Sahel/Maghreb: implications for EU internal security

This point was withdrawn from the agenda.

9. Information on Counter Terrorism Activities

- **European Commission**

The Commission informed that the Communication on radicalisation would be tabled in November. The Commission was working both with the RAN and with Member States experts in order to collect material and a meeting would be organised at the end of May.

Furthermore, the Commission said that a meeting of the RAN working group dealing with foreign fighters had taken place on 22 April, and that it would debrief both TWP and COTER at the meeting on 25 April. The Commission had also hosted an ATLAS exercise that had been very successful and had shown the potential of ATLAS in the context of preparedness and solidarity. Finally, the Commission informed the group that it would not table a proposal under Article 75 TFEU at this stage.

- **Europol**

A representative of Europol informed the group that the next edition of TE-SAT would be formally presented the next day in the LIBE committee in the European Parliament. It provided some more information about cooperation with Member States and ongoing Europol projects, notably on foreign fighters.

10. AOB

No issue was raised under AOB.