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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From: General Secretariat of the Council
On: 11 October 2013
To: Law Enforcement Working Party
Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 4492/13, with the deletion of point 3.2 and the addition of an information point from the incoming Greek Presidency under AOB.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Chair gave an overview of recent events of relevance to the LEWP, such as the Presidency conference “*Eastern Partnership Law Enforcement Cooperation: way forward*” held on 17-19 September 2013 in Vilnius, JPO LITCAR, JPO GOODEYE II, and presented the upcoming events, namely the EFE, ENLETS and CARPOL meetings.

3. Report of the meeting of experts for major sports events

The Presidency reported on the outcome of the meeting of experts for major sports events held on 4 October 2013, as set out in doc. 14111/13 ENFOPOL 302.

The LEWP meeting took note of the report and of the recommendation contained in the document on the results of the survey on the existing legal framework to prevent identified risk fans from attending football matches (doc. 13659/1/13 REV 1 ENFOPOL 293).

3.1. Draft Council Conclusions adopting the 2014-2016 EU Work Programme on further measures designed to maximise safety and security in connection with sport events, in particular football matches, with an international dimension

The Presidency presented the draft Council Conclusions adopting the 2014-2016 EU Work Programme on further measures designed to maximise safety and security in connection with sport events, in particular football matches, with an international dimension as agreed by the experts for major sports events at their meeting on 4 October 2013 and as set out in doc. 13658/1/13 REV 1 ENFOPOL 292.

A few delegations expressed general support to the draft work programme while suggesting to change its title. The DE and NL delegations entered scrutiny reservations. The representative of the Commission suggested that the work programme could be approved at the LEWP level, took note of the wish of the experts' group to apply for the EU funding and underlined the need for clear arguments in order to proceed with changing the current Council Decision concerning security in connection with football matches with an international dimension¹.

The Presidency invited delegations to submit their comments on the draft Council Conclusions in writing by 25 October 2013. Depending on the written suggestions and subject to the lifting of DE and NL scrutiny reservations, the Presidency would consider the possibility of agreeing to the draft Council Conclusions by written procedure in order to submit them to COREPER and the Council for adoption by the end of the Presidency.

4. Revised coordination initiative for CARPOL

The NL delegation gave a detailed presentation of the revised proposal on CARPOL's aim, objectives, proceedings and the distribution of tasks within the network as well as plans for the future contained in its Long Lasting Agenda as set out in doc. 6131/1/13 REV 1 ENFOPOL 30.

¹ Council Decision 2002/348/JHA of 25 April 2002 concerning security in connection with football matches with an international dimension (OJ L 121, 8.5.2002, p. 1.) as amended by Council Decision 2007/412/JHA of 12 June 2007 (OJ L 155, 15.6.2007, p. 76.)

The UK delegation could not support the proposal due to policy concerns and several delegations had additional drafting suggestions. The Presidency invited delegations to submit them in writing by 25 October 2013 in order to prepare a revised version of the document and have it approved by written procedure.

5. Recommendations of the European Police Chiefs Convention 2013

The Presidency referred to the outcome of the European Police Chiefs Convention 2013 which took place on 12 September 2013, in the Hague. The summary and recommendations of this meeting were presented to delegations as set out in the doc. 13647/13 COSI 111, focusing in particular on witness protection and informant handling. The Presidency invited delegations to submit their suggestions on the possible way forward regarding this topic by 1 November 2013.

6. Handbook of best practices for the ethical review of law enforcement forces

The FR delegation presented the draft Handbook of best practices for the ethical review of law enforcement forces (doc. 12865/13 ENFOPOL 260), on which 17 Member States had provided their feedback.

The meeting agreed that the FR delegation would work together with Member States who were willing to appoint their experts in order to finalise the document and submit it for the approval by the LEWP as suggested by a large number of delegations who had submitted their written comments.

7. Any other business

The EL delegation informed the meeting that under its incoming Presidency the continuity of the current activities would be ensured focusing on the proposal for the Europol Regulation and on Police and Customs Cooperation Centres (PCCCs), in particular as regards their cooperation with third countries.