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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

of:	Joint meeting of the Law Enforcement Working Party and the Customs Cooperation Working Party (including Mixed Committee EU/Iceland, Norway, Switzerland and Liechtenstein)
on:	15 February 2012
Subject:	Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 1450/12 with the addition of an information point by the HU delegation under AOB. Delegations were notified that item 4.3 would be discussed in Mixed Committee format because of its Schengen acquis relevance.

2. Presentation of the priorities of the Danish Presidency for the CCWP and the LEWP

The Chair of the CCWP and the Chair of the LEWP presented the priorities and activities of the Danish Presidency in relation to both working parties.

3. Presentation by the World Customs Organisation (WCO) of the customs administrations' fight against terrorism and organised crime

The WCO Deputy Secretary General provided a short overview of the organisation's history, stressing its mission related to the preparation of international standards and its role as a platform for international cooperation. In addition the main priority areas and the respective operations run by WCO in the field of fighting terrorism and organised crime were mentioned.

4. Joint operations

4.1. Draft business case/proposal for JCPO ATHENA III

The DK delegation presented the draft business case/proposal for JCPO ATHENA III as set out in doc. 5565/12 ENFOCUSTOM 3 ENFOPOL 16, stressing the fact that it would build upon past operations' experiences (JCO ATHENA, JCO ATHENA II) but would go beyond their scope and objectives.

A representative of Europol provided a detailed explanation on Europol's role in the operation, outlining the benefits of the inclusion of a risk identification analysis in the pre-operational phase and drawing delegations' attention to the data collection and data processing issues.

Several MS provided their initial comments on the proposal. The COM representative also shared its view on the draft business case underlining the need to avoid overlapping and duplication with the work done in this area by DG TAXUD so far and the necessity to make full use of all the information and tools available on the COM side, including risk indicators and various communication channels.

The Presidency set out 27 February 2012 as deadline for written comments on the draft business case/proposal.

4.2. Proposal for JPO CYCAR

The CY delegation presented the proposal for JPO CYCAR as set out in doc. 5892/12 ENFOPOL 20 ENFOCUSTOM 6 TRANS 19 outlining its objectives and implementation procedures. MS were invited to express their intention to participate in this operation by 30 March 2012. As no objections were raised, the proposal for JPO CYCAR was approved by the meeting.

4.3. Proposal for JPO APHRODITE

This item was discussed in Mixed Committee format.

The CY delegation introduced the proposal for JPO APHRODITE contained in doc. 5947/12 ENFOPOL 22 FRONT 13 COMIX 66 stipulating its objectives, preliminary timetable and reporting procedures. MS were invited to express their intention to participate in this JPO by 30 March 2012 whereas written comments concerning the proposal for this JPO could be sent by 27 February 2012.

4.4. State of play of JCPO RADAR

The NL delegation briefly recalled the objectives of JCPO RADAR and provided an updated information regarding its operational phase and debriefing meeting.

4.5. Other joint operations

No information was provided by delegations under this item.

5. Any other business

The HU expert outlined the topics discussed and the conclusions reached at the KYNOPOL seminar for Heads of Dog Handling Centres held on 28 November - 1 December 2011 in France as set out in doc. 6291/12 ENFOPOL 30, in particular focusing on the tasks of the KYNOPOL network. MS, COM and EU agencies were invited to contribute to the practical operation of the network.