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of: Law Enforcement Working Party (including Mixed Committee EU/Iceland,
Norway, Switzerland and Liechtenstein)

on: 13 April 2011

Subject: Summary of discussions

LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKING PARTY - MIXED COMMITTEE

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 2313/12.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Chair informed the meeting about the state of play as regards the joint customs and police operation ATHENA III.

3. Results of the Radio Communications Experts meeting held on 22-23 March 2012 in Copenhagen

The Danish expert presented the progress report on the recent activities of the two subgroups of the radio communications expert group - Forerunners and ISI - and the results of the meeting of radio communications experts held on 22-23 March 2012 in Copenhagen (doc. 8097/12 ENFOPOL 80 COMIX 188).

The LEWP took note of this progress report.

4. Any other business

No items were raised under AOB.

LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKING PARTY

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 2313/12 with the addition of an information point by the NL delegation under AOB.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Chair briefed the meeting about the seminar of the EUCPN held on 27 March 2012 in Copenhagen and suggested that information relating to the EUCPN of relevance to the LEWP would also be distributed to the LEWP. The meeting was also informed about the upcoming European Police Chiefs Convention on 30-31 May 2012 and the Coordination Mechanism meeting on 31 May 2012. In view of the latter meeting delegations were invited to provide to the Presidency updated information about their planned joint police operations by 7 May 2012.

3. Draft Council conclusions on the increased use of the Europol Information System (EIS) in combating cross-border crime

The Chair presented the draft Council conclusions on the increased use of the Europol Information System (EIS) in combating cross-border crime (doc. 8098/12 ENFOPOL 81), prepared on the basis of the outcome of the previous LEWP meeting and written comments from Member States.

Taking into account the drafting suggestions of some delegations and the Commission to be reflected in the revised version of the document, the meeting agreed to the draft Council Conclusions to be submitted to COREPER / Council for adoption.

4. Combating cybercrime:

4.1. Commission Communication "Tackling Crime in our Digital Age: Establishing a European Cybercrime Centre"

The representative of the Commission presented the background and the main elements of the Commission Communication "Tackling Crime in our Digital Age: Establishing a European Cybercrime Centre" (doc. 8543/12 ENFOPOL 94 TELECOM 72).

Several delegations welcomed the Commission Communication, while some underlined the need to build upon the existing initiatives when creating the Cybercrime Centre. The representative of the Commission replied to various questions raised by delegations, for example relating to the implementation process of the Cybercrime Centre, its costs and governance structure, the types of crime to be dealt with and the link with the future legal basis of Europol. The PL and EE delegations entered parliamentary reservations.

The Chair concluded that further information on the implementation process of the Cybercrime Centre would be provided at the next LEWP meeting.

4.2. Draft Council conclusions on the establishment of a European Cybercrime Centre

The Chair presented the draft Council conclusions on the establishment of a European Cybercrime Centre (doc. 8295/12 ENFOPOL 87 TELECOM 71), underlining that the purpose of the conclusions was to welcome the Commission Communication, to support the proposal to locate the European Cybercrime Centre at Europol and to acknowledge the need for further work as regards the setting up and financing of the Centre.

The UK, DE, PL, IT and EE delegations entered reservations on the document. Some delegations provided certain drafting suggestions and were invited by the Chair to provide them in writing by 4 May 2012.

5. The overview of TISPOL activities in 2011 and planned activities for 2012

The representative of TISPOL presented the report on TISPOL activities in 2011 and planned activities for 2012 as set out in doc. 7672/12 ENFOPOL 71 TRANS 96 CORDROGUE 15. It was suggested that in the future TISPOL would report to the LEWP twice a year - once on the outcome of the activities in the preceding year and once on the planned activities for the following year. The representative of TISPOL also expressed a hope for the support of the LEWP in the matters relating to the financing of TISPOL from the EU budget.

The LEWP took note of the report.

6. Results of the Experts for Major Sports Events meeting held on 3 April 2012 in Brussels

The DK Chair of the meeting of experts for major sports events outlined in detail the outcome of this meeting held in the framework of the LEWP on 3 April 2012 (doc. 8100/12 ENFOPOL 82).

The representative of CEPOL noted that CEPOL was looking into possibilities to contribute to the Pan European Football Policing Training Project within its budgetary limits.

The DK Chair of the meeting of experts for major sports events also presented the draft 2012 Action Plan implementing the 2011-2013 EU Work Programme on further measures designed to maximise safety and security in connection with sports events, in particular football matches, with an international dimension (doc. 8039/1/12 REV 1 ENFOPOL 79) agreed by the experts.

The LEWP agreed to the draft Action Plan be submitted to COREPER / Council for adoption.

7. Any other business

The NL delegation provided information about the conference of the European Network of Public Figure Threat Assessment Agencies focusing on "Police and mental health care: taking care of threats", to be held in Rotterdam (the Netherlands) on 21-23 May 2012.