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Subject: Results of the meeting of the European Network for the Protection of Public Figures (ENPPF) held on 3 May 2012 in Brussels

The meeting of experts of the European Network for the Protection of Public Figures (ENPPF) under the Hungarian Chairmanship was held within the framework of the LEWP on 3 May 2012 in Brussels.

The LEWP is invited to take note on the results of this meeting set out below.

1. Experience with security measures under the Danish Presidency of the Council

The DK delegation gave a presentation on its experience with ensuring security measures at various events during the Danish Presidency of the Council under the responsibility of the Logistics Unit of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

2. Discussion on the way forward as regards the Handbook for the Protection of Public Figures and the Handbook of Good Practices for the Protection of Public Figures in Europe

The Hungarian Chair of ENPPF presented the proposal on the way forward as regards the draft Handbook of Good Practices and invited delegations to agree to the text of this Handbook as set out in doc. DS 1280/12.

Following the discussion on the draft Handbook and taking into account the divergence of views on different parts of the text, it was agreed that the relevant parts of the draft Handbook of Good Practices would be merged with the Handbook on Protection of Public Figures of 2005 containing national factsheets (updated in 2007) available at the services concerned. It was also agreed that the latter Handbook should be updated.

Delegations were invited to provide their written comments by 18 May 2012 on the text of the draft Handbook of Good Practices to be incorporated into the 2005 Handbook and to comment whether the latter should be distributed as a Council document as well as indicate the required classification level for their respective national factsheets.

3. Discussion on the glossary of terms relating to the protection of a public figures with an international dimension

The Hungarian Chair of ENPPF presented the glossary of terms prepared by the HU experts aiming to facilitate practical communication within the framework of ENPPF and among the experts involved. After a short exchange of views on the use of this document the meeting agreed to the glossary of terms as set out in doc. DS 1281/12.

4. Food safety efforts during visits of foreign protected persons in Hungary

The HU expert presented various aspects of the protection of public figures as regards food-borne risks resulting from both negligence and intentional hazards. The meeting was also informed about the activities of the Food Safety Group operating in Hungary aiming to prevent protected people from food-borne health risks. The Chair raised an idea of organising joint trainings in this area among the interested Member States.

5. Introduction to the activities of the Radio Communication Experts' Group (RCEG), possible links between ENPPF and RCEG

On the basis of the proposal voiced at the previous ENPPF meeting, the HU expert presented the activities of RCEG (related to the LEWP) and the possible links of this group with ENPPF as regards the radio communication needs in the protection of public figures.

6. The accreditation system of the Hungarian Presidency of the Council

The HU expert presented the accreditation system used at Presidency events held in Hungary in the first half 2011 and outlined the best practices that could be considered by the upcoming Presidencies of the Council.

7. IT systems for the exchange of classified information relating to the protection of public figures (Chiasmus, ACID), the advantages and disadvantages of the use of those systems and developing a common approach on their use

A representative of the General Secretariat of the Council gave a presentation on IT systems for the exchange of classified information that could be used by the services of the protection of public figures. Delegations were informed that Chiasmus was to be replaced by ACID in order to simplify the exchange of classified information and were introduced to the use of ACID.

8. Security arrangements in Poland during UEFA European Football Championship 2012

The PL delegation gave a presentation on the security arrangements for the EURO 2012 to be held in Poland.

9. Any other business

The Director of the Security Office of the General Secretariat of the Council gave a presentation on ensuring security of events to be held in the future Europa building – the seat of European Council - and at other large EU events.

On behalf of the NL delegation the Hungarian Chair of ENPPF informed the meeting about the conference of the European Network of Public Figure Threat Assessment Agencies on the subject of “Police and Mental Health Care” to be held on 21-23 May 2012 in Rotterdam.

• Possible future activities of ENPPF

On the basis of the outcome of the meeting, the Hungarian Presidency of ENPPF would like to make the following suggestions as regards the possible future activities of ENPPF:

- (1) Updating the national factsheets in the 2005 Handbook.
- (2) Elaborating the template for the national factsheets.
- (3) Merging the Handbook of Good Practices for the Protection of Public Figures into the 2005 Handbook.
- (4) Keeping the list of contact points for the protection of public figures updated with the assistance of the General Secretariat of the Council.
- (5) Advancing the usage of common encrypted communication channels for the exchange of classified information relating to the protection of public figures (e.g. ACID).
- (6) Exchanging information between the services concerned about joint training opportunities on a regular basis.
- (7) Annually updating the content of the merged Handbook, especially in connection with the national factsheets, in close cooperation with the General Secretariat of the Council.