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of: Law Enforcement Working Party (including Mixed Committee EU/Iceland,
Norway, Switzerland and Liechtenstein)
on: 5 September 2012
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 3999/1/12 REV 1.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Chair informed delegations about the radio communications expert meeting to be held on 24 October 2012 in Larnaca (Cyprus). Delegations were also reminded to provide by 20 September 2012 information as regards their law enforcement liaison officers, which would be included in the updated Compendium (doc. 16560/1/11 REV 1 ENFOPOL 385 JAIEX 114 COMIX 705).

3. Outcome of the 2nd Infopolex Conference held in the Hague on 12 June 2012

The DK expert presented the outcome of the second Infopolex Conference as set out in doc. 12048/12 ENFOPOL 216 JAI 495 COSI 55 COMIX 452 + COR 1. Delegations were informed about the decision to establish an informal forerunners' group. Its first meeting would be organised by Belgium, possibly in September 2012. The LEWP took note of the 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 3999/1/12 REV 1 with the addition of an information point by the HU delegation.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Chair provided information about the upcoming Presidency events to be held in Cyprus, such as the meetings of ENLETS and EFE as well as the cybercrime conference and the seminar on illicit trafficking of cultural goods. In relation to EFE the Chair informed the meeting that following the discussion at the LEWP on 1 June 2012, a letter on the issue of deactivation of firearms had been sent by the Presidency to the Commission on 28 August 2012.

3. Results of the Experts for Major Sports Events meeting held on 4 September 2012 in Brussels

The Presidency gave a detailed overview of the outcome of the meeting of experts for major sports events held in the framework of the LEWP the day before. Delegations were informed, inter alia, that a logo of the NFIP network had been agreed by the experts. The LEWP took note of the results of this meeting.

4. Draft Council Resolution on the creation of an informal network of law enforcement expertise in the field of cultural goods (EU CULTNET)

The Chair presented the draft Council Resolution on the creation of EU CULTNET, revised on the basis of comments of delegations provided following the LEWP meeting of 11 July 2012 (doc. 11402/1/12 REV ENFOPOL 189 CULT 99).

Following the discussion on the document, the LEWP agreed to the text taking into account the drafting suggestions of various delegations.

The Chair concluded that on that basis the agreed text of the draft Council Resolution would be issued shortly and subject to the lifting of DE, NL and UK scrutiny reservations it would be submitted to COREPER/Council for adoption.

5. Follow-up to the Council Conclusions on the vision for European Forensic Science 2020 including the creation of a European Forensic Area and the development of forensic science infrastructure in Europe

A representative of the Commission provided an overview of various instruments and initiatives relating to forensics and presented Commission's views as regards the preparation, the scope and the design of the Action Plan to be presented by the end of June 2013 to implement the vision for European Forensic Science 2020 on the basis of the Council Conclusions adopted in 2011 (doc. 17537/11 ENFOPOL 413 COPEN 342). The role of ENFSI in this respect was underlined and information relating to the financing of this network under the ISEC programme was provided.

Delegations were invited to provide information on how they were implementing the Council Conclusions as well as to raise Member States' awareness regarding the financing of forensic-related activities from the future ISF. Some delegations shared their ideas and issues to keep in mind when preparing the Action Plan.

6. Overcoming Attrition in Domestic Violence

6.1. Outcome of the CEPOL Presidency Conference on overcoming attrition in domestic violence through policing held on 10-12 July 2012 in Limassol (Cyprus)

The CY expert presented the outcome of the conference organised together with CEPOL on overcoming attrition in domestic violence through policing as set out in doc. 12718/12 ENFOPOL 238, focusing in particular on major highlights of discussions and conclusions of the conference.

The Deputy Director of CEPOL underlined that the results of the conference would be taken into account in the process of the upgrading of CEPOL's tools - the common curriculum on policing domestic violence and e-NET on domestic violence.

6.2. Draft European Union handbook of best police practices on overcoming attrition in domestic violence cases

The CY expert gave a detailed overview of the draft European Union handbook of best police practices on overcoming attrition in domestic violence cases as set out in doc. 12719/12 ENFOPOL 239.

Delegations were invited to provide by 19 October 2012 their comments regarding the text of the handbook and their contributions on best police practices of overcoming attrition in domestic violence cases to be included in the annex of the handbook in order to finalise the text and submit it for agreement by the LEWP at its meeting on 14 November 2012.

7. Europol Work Programme 2013

A representative of Europol presented the Europol Work Programme 2013 (doc. 12667/12 ENFOPOL 236), outlining the four multi-annual goals of Europol and the annual objectives aimed at achieving those goals.

Replying to the questions of some delegations, the representative of Europol explained the state of play as regards the financing of the European cybercrime centre and noted that Europol's cooperation agreement with Russia could possibly be finalised in early 2013.

Following this exchange the meeting approved the Europol Work Programme 2013 and agreed to forward it to COREPER/Council for endorsement.

8. Any other business

The HU delegation provided information on different cybercrime-related conferences to be held in Hungary in autumn 2012.
