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Subject: Summary of discussions

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**1. Adoption of the agenda**

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in document CM 4095/12.

**2. Information by the Presidency**

The Presidency informed the meeting of the terrorism-related issues discussed at the Informal meeting of the JHA Ministers and at the EU-US JHA Senior officials meeting that both took place in Nicosia on 24-25 and 25-26 July respectively and provided updated information on the forthcoming conference on aviation security that will take place on 31 October 2012 in Cyprus.

**3. Enfopol 30 - Information exchange on recent terrorist incidents**

The Group exchanged information on recent terrorist incidents. Delegations that have not provided their contributions were invited to do so for the next meeting, not later than 25 September 2012.

The Presidency and the Bulgarian delegation made interventions regarding recent incidents in Cyprus and Bulgaria (EU CONFIDENTIAL).

#### **4. FP 7 Security Research Projects**

A representative of the Commission gave a presentation on the FP 7 Security Research programme and its contribution to the fight against terrorism. He provided an overview of the programme objectives, activities and tools and gave examples of selected projects in the CT area.

#### **5. Security Industrial Policy and Security Related Research**

The EU Counter-terrorism coordinator intervened on this subject mentioning the most important developments in the area at EU level as well as suggesting possible areas for MS action.

He welcomed the Commission communication on Security Industrial Policy proposing an Action Plan (13050/12 IND 129 COMPET 523 RECH 324 TRANS 265 MAP 52 MI 521 PI 101 COSDP 676 FRONTEXT 2 PROCIV 136 COTER 86 + ADD 1). In order to address the gap between the research and the market, the following areas should be considered:

- EU standardisation / certification system in order to overcome the fragmented European market;
- linking of civil and military research;
- provision of subsidies for pre-commercial procurement;
- promotion of a "privacy by design" system which ensures that privacy becomes an essential component by embedding it into new technologies and practices from the beginning;
- formulation of mid-/long-term needs by interior ministers through identification of emerging technologies; this would give planning stability to the industry and EU research funds;
- develop a better dialogue between public and private sectors (PPPs).

#### **6. Project "Leonidas"**

The Cyprus delegation presented project Leonidas, a simulation exercise carried out in November 2011 in Nicosia with the participation of a number of other MS and funded by the Commission. The aim of the project was enhancing preparedness to confront possible terrorist threats by the Republic of Cyprus. Best practices identified as a result of the exercise were also presented.

## **7. Radicalisation and Recruitment**

- Revised EU Radicalisation and Recruitment Action Plan

The Presidency presented a draft implementation table of the revised EU Action plan, based on the contributions of Member States and EU bodies (document 13524/12 ENFOPOL 261 JAI 586 COTER 90 EU RESTRICTED). Delegations that have not yet submitted their input were invited to do so by 20 September 2012; other delegations could update their contributions, if needed, within the same deadline.

- Presentation by Belgium on the results of COPPRA II

The BE delegation informed the meeting on the COPPRA II project; updates on COPPRA products and the e-learning tool were given and the speaker also reported on the first regional train-the-trainer sessions and their results.

## **8. Presentations by IntCen (EU CONFIDENTIAL)**

Representatives of IntCen presented recent reports.

## **9. Protection of Soft Targets**

- Draft Council Conclusions on the protection of soft targets
- Presentation by Ireland (EU CONFIDENTIAL)
- Presentation on the protection of soft targets by Greece

The meeting examined in detail the revised draft discussion paper on the protection of soft targets from terrorist attacks (DS 1494/1/12 REV 1). Delegations welcomed the revised document in general and commented notably on certain terms used in the paper and the examples of attacks. Further written comments on the paper should be sent to the Presidency and the Council Secretariat by 20 September.

On the basis of the revised document and in particular the Proposals for action set out on p. 5-7, the Presidency will prepare draft Council conclusions to be discussed at the next TWP meeting on 4 October and the forthcoming CATS meeting with a view of their submission to the Council on 25-26 October.

The IE delegation presented a case study relating to soft targets and self-radicalisation (EU CONFIDENTIAL).

The EL delegation gave a presentation on how the Hellenic police deals with the protection of soft targets and elaborated on their categories, gave examples of consequences of attacks and possible counter-measures.

#### **10. Enhancing the links between the internal and external aspects of counter-terrorism**

The Presidency outlined the main actions identified in the Implementation report on the Council Conclusions on enhancing the links between internal and external aspects of counter-terrorism (13460/12) and invited delegations to submit possible comments to their COTER colleagues before 14 September 2012. The report will be further discussed at the joint meeting of the TWP and COTER on 5 October.

#### **11. Information on Counter-Terrorism activities**

- The Commission informed and reminded the Group of the following forthcoming events:
  - o Seminar on the Study on identifying radical violent content on the internet will be held on 22 September in Brussels;
  - o Seminar on the Implementation of the EU Action Plan on enhancing the security of explosives to be held on 11-12 September in Brussels;
  - o A Strategic EU level CBRNE conference on 2-3 October 2012 in Malmö, organised by the Presidency, Denmark, Sweden and the Commission;
  - o CBRN Advisory Group on 13-14 November 2012.
- A representative of Europol reported on the involvement of Europol in the incident in Bulgaria and highlighted the importance of two initiatives of the EU AP on enhancing the security of explosives in this particular case - notably the EBDS and the EOD network. He also informed of the issues to be addressed at the forthcoming Europol CT week on 8-11 October.
- A representative of the CTC office updated the meeting on the past and upcoming trips of the Coordinator.

## 12. AOB

No issues were raised under AOB.

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The following working documents were made available in the meeting room:

- Information exchange on recent terrorist/extremist incidents - ENFOPOL 30 - EU  
RESTRICTED
- Best practices for terrorist attack management: a crisis management manual -  
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