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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 4567/12.

**2. Information by the Presidency**

The Presidency informed the Group of the CATS – Council of Europe meeting held in Strasbourg on 27 June 2012, the EEODN meeting held in Nicosia on 25-26 September, and provided updated information on the forthcoming conference on aviation security that would 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.

#### **4. Protection of Soft Targets**

##### **- Discussion on the conclusions of the document on soft targets**

On the basis of the discussion paper (DS 1494/2/12 REV 2) discussed at previous TWP meetings since July 2012, which also included proposals for further action, the Presidency prepared draft Council conclusions.

Even though the Group supported the idea that this is an important subject that should be dealt with at EU level, a large number of delegations considered it premature to submit the Council conclusions to the Council on 25-26 October and suggested to leave some more time for discussion at expert level.

The Presidency suggested, however, to submit the draft Conclusions to the CATS meeting on 9 October and decide afterwards, on the basis of the discussions, whether to proceed with the file as planned. The Presidency reminded the delegations of the discussions at the Informal meeting of the JHA Ministers in July, which took place in the immediate aftermath of the terrorist attack in Bulgaria, and which gave a political incentive to the work on the protection of soft targets.

#### **5. INTCEN presentation: Shariah4 phenomena (EU CONFIDENTIAL)**

A representative of IntCen presented the abovementioned report.

#### **6. Review of the CBRN and Explosives Action Plans**

##### **- Information by the Commission on the state of play and presentation of the outcome of the strategic EU-level CBRNE conference in Malmö (2/3 October 2012)**

The Commission representative updated the meeting on the progress achieved in the implementation of the EU CBRN Action Plan (progress report is set out in 10441/12), the EU Action Plan on the security of Explosives (being currently reviewed by the Commission) and the proposed action, first of which was the CBRNE conference held in Malmö, which focused on providing a new strategic direction for joint efforts with regard to CBRN and Explosives development in the EU. The conference concluded on several areas for further attention, among which were in particular the establishment of fewer but more comprehensive priorities which should enable a clearer direction for the coming work and the possibility of creating better synergies and merging parts of the CBRN and the Explosives Action Plan in to one comprehensive plan.

The results of the conference would be discussed at the CBRN Advisory group to take place on 13-14 November, to which explosives experts would also be invited. On the basis of the conference report, the Presidency planned to prepare draft Council conclusions to be discussed at PROCIV. A communication by the Commission on the subject was expected next year.

## **7. Debriefing on the security of the Olympic Games – London 2012 by the UK delegation**

The UK delegation gave a presentation on the security and safety of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

## **8. Radicalisation and Recruitment**

- Draft implementation plan of the Revised EU Radicalisation and Recruitment Action Plan (13524/1/12 REV 1 EU RESTRICTED)

Some delegations brought further updates to the draft implementation plan that would be incorporated in the revised version to be presented to CATS meeting on 9 October with a view to its submission to the Council on 25-26 October.

Furthermore, the Presidency presented a document (DS 1640/12 EU RESTRICTED) suggesting best practices identified by the Presidency on the basis of the contributions from the Member States. Delegations were invited to comment on the draft paper and possibly suggest additions, not later than 7 November 2012.

- Presentation by the Spanish delegation

The Spanish delegation gave a classified presentation on the Spanish strategy against terrorism and radicalisation.

- “Threat Assessment on Cyprus and the instability in the MENA countries” (by CIS, Cyprus Police)

In the presentation, the Cyprus delegation elaborated on the impact of the Arab Spring and the instability of the MENA countries.

- RAN Health Working Group - presentation by the UK delegation

A Commission representative provided a general update on the work of different RAN Working Groups, and informed of the High Level symposium planned for 25 January 2013 that should bring together policy makers and practitioners. On the basis of a request by one delegation, the Commission would send the information on the RAN WGs in writing.

The UK delegation presented the activities of the RAN Health WG created in May 2012.

## **9. Clean IT Project - presentation by the Netherlands delegation**

The NL delegation presented the interim outcome of the Clean IT project. A new version of the Clean IT draft document should soon become available on the website of the project ([www.cleanITproject.eu](http://www.cleanITproject.eu)).

## **10. Implementation Report on the Council Conclusions on enhancing the links between the internal and external aspects of counter-terrorism (document to be issued)**

The Presidency presented the revised version of the implementation report (13460/1/12 REV 1) which took into account comments of delegations made after the last TWP and COTER meetings. Some delegations raised further concerns that would be discussed at the joint TWP-COTER meeting on 5 October and CATS meeting on 9 October with a view to the submission to the Council on 25-26 October.

## **11. AOB**

A representative of the Council Secretariat informed the meeting of a request from the public to access the country reports resulting from the second round of peer evaluation. Following the preliminary analysis of the documents to be done by the Secretariat, delegations would be asked to provide their opinion on the possible (partial) publication of their respective reports.