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## **'I/A' ITEM NOTE**

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Resolution concerning a handbook with recommendations for preventing and managing violence and disturbances in connection with football matches with an international dimension, in which at least one Member State is involved, through the adoption of good practice in respect of police liaison with supporters

- 1. Considering that effective cooperation and interaction with supporters in connection with football matches can play a crucial role in generating a welcoming atmosphere inside and outside of stadia and thus contribute to preventing violence and disturbances, in 2014 an ad hoc working group was set up within a group of experts for major sports events, related to the Law Enforcement Working Party, in order to draw up a handbook of good practice for police liaison with supporters.
- 2. On the basis of the work of the ad hoc group, the experts for major sports events at the meeting on 16 September 2016 approved the draft handbook with recommendations for preventing and managing violence and disturbances in connection with football matches with an international dimension, in which at least one Member State is involved, through the adoption of good practice in respect of police liaison with supporters. Subsequently the Law Enforcement Working Party reached agreement on the draft Council Resolution concerning this handbook at its meeting on 29 September 2016, as set out in 12792/16.

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