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From: General Secretariat of the Council
On: 14 November 2016
To: Customs Cooperation Working Party (Experts)
Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as set out in CM 4491/1/16 REV 1.

2. Information from the Presidency

The Presidency briefed delegations on current activities of interest for CCWP, dealt with in Council and other fora.

3. Overview of JCOs and other operations

The Presidency presented an updated version of the **Overview of JCOs and other operations** (5109/3/16 REV 3 RESTREINT UE) highlighting the fact that this is a living document. Consequently Members States were invited to send updated information whenever necessary.

4. Joint Customs Operations and other operations

FR and ES, as leaders of Action 8.3 (Cash Movements), presented the **Business-case for JCO Cerberus** (13945/16). The operation is part of Action 8.3 and will aim at controlling failures to declare cash and at combatting money laundering. Delegates were requested to send written comments by 22 November 2016 and a revised version of the business-case will be presented for adoption during CCWP Plenary on 7 December 2016.

Frontex briefed the delegates on the core elements of its operational activities in 2017: operations, focal points, the hotspot integrated approach in Greece and the link with the EMPACT priorities.

The item regarding the **WCO operations** (FLYAWAY II, SESH A 2, WESTERLIES IV, ADWENPA) was dropped from the agenda.

5. WCO's strategic approach in the field of wildlife enforcement

This item was dropped from the agenda.

6. Analysis of the questionnaire of Action 8.6.2 (Mineral oils)

Slovakia presented an **overview of the replies received to the questionnaire** (CM 3325/1/16 REV 1) distributed in the framework of Action 8.6.2 (Regional occurrence of excise fraud - Mineral oils) and put forward a few preliminary conclusions. The speaker also presented three different fraud cases in the field of mineral oils.

7. One seizure - one report (results of the analysis)

DG TAXUD presented the results of the survey "one seizure, one report". The context of the survey was the fact that multiple reports have to be made in different databases for one seizure which is time and resource consuming and might lead to loss of valuable information. The survey focused on AFIS - CIS (OLAF) and CRMS (DG TAXUD). A Project Group was set-up in the framework of Customs 2020 to discuss the findings of the survey and to identify possible solutions.

8. Investigation of customs crime and the parallel investigation of money laundering

Under this item, the Presidency briefed the delegates on the main elements of the **Council Conclusions and Action Plan on the way forward with regard to financial investigation** adopted by the Council on 9 June 2016 (10125/16 + COR 1).

Slovakia, Hungary and Finland had presentations on **case studies, best practices and the role of customs** in the field of **financial investigations** at national level.

9. AOB

Under this item, The Netherlands informed the delegates that the first meeting of the participants to Action 8.1 (Illegal trade via Internet/small consignments) would take place on 5-6 December 2016.
