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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
On:	11 February 2014
To:	Customs Cooperation Working Party (Experts meeting)
Subject:	Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of agenda

The agenda was adopted as outlined in doc. CM 1231/1/14 REV 1.

2. Information from the Presidency

The EL Presidency informed the CCWP experts group of its main priorities: implementation of 7th Action Plan, engagement of customs in the EU Policy Cycle, revision of strategic and tactical objectives, and joint operations, in particular JCO ERMIS on IPR organised by the Presidency.

3. JCOs and Operational Activities

- **Business case of JCO Athena IV**

The LV delegation presented the revised business case for JCO ATHENA IV, as set out in doc. 13296/2/13 REV 2 ENFOCUSTOM 131 ENFOPOL 278 RESTREINT UE. The delegations adopted the business case as presented.

- **Final report on JCO WAREHOUSE**

The LV delegation presented the draft final report for JCO Warehouse, as set out in doc. 5695/14 ENFOCUSTOM 5. The Presidency invited the delegations to provide their comments in writing by 22 February 2014.

- **Update on JCO ERMIS**

The EL delegation provided an update on the preparation of the upcoming JCO Ermis.

- **Initiative against the illicit trafficking of cigarettes and counterfeiting medicines in the Western Balkans**

The IT delegation provided information on its Hercule II-funded project focused on illicit trafficking of cigarettes and medicines in the Western Balkans and the Mediterranean, and the upcoming regional JCO.

- **Update on JCO GRYPHON**

The WCO representative briefed the delegates on the preliminary results of JCO Gryphon focused on illegal trade in tobacco products.

- **International anti-drug project HAZELDONK**

The NL delegation briefed the delegates about the law enforcement cooperation platform Hazeldonk (NL, FR, BE and LU) focused on drug-related crime.

4. Threat assessment on air transit passengers

The CY delegation presented the draft final report on the threat assessment on air transit passengers, as set out in doc. 5642/14 ENFOCUSTOM 4 UD 23 ENFOPOL 17 GENVAL 5 + ADD 1 RESTREINT UE. The delegations adopted the report with minor modifications.

5. 7th Action Plan of the CCWP

The Presidency briefed the CCWP Experts on three actions from the 7th Action Plan of the CCWP (doc. 12468/7/13 REV 7 ENFOCUSTOM 120 ENFOPOL 284 COSI 104) that were delegated to the CCWP Experts and on the proposed work methodology.

6. Action 7.5 “To identify the need for new models of cooperation between customs and other agencies/joint customs operations. To implement the strategy of the future customs law enforcement cooperation within the context of the EU policy cycle while taking into account the link with the tax authorities”

The Presidency presented the discussion paper and questionnaire as set out in doc. 5805/14 ENFOCUSTOM 10 COSI 8 UD 26 ENFOPOL 18 FRONT 19 FISC 9, and invited the delegations to provide the requested information by 28 February 2014 to allow the Presidency to prepare a discussion paper for the next CCWP Experts meeting.

7. Action 7.10 “To identify the fields for customs law enforcement cooperation such as joint operations, in the fight against environmental crime (e.g. hazardous waste, ozone, CITES, links to organized groups)

The Presidency presented the discussion paper and questionnaire as set out in doc. 5808/14 ENFOCUSTOM 11 COSI 9 ENFOPOL 19 ENV 75, and invited the delegations to provide the requested information by 28 February 2014 to allow the Presidency to prepare a discussion paper for the next CCWP Experts meeting. DG TAXUD provided detailed information on its own activities in the field, and EUROPOL emphasised the role of the EnviCrimeNet.

8. Revision of the Guide for Joint Customs Operations

The Presidency outlined the proposed revision of the guide for JCOs, as set out in doc. DS 1035/14 with the main aim of linking the strategic objectives to MASPs and tactical objectives to OAPs. The Presidency invited the delegations to provide their comments in writing by 28 February 2014.

9. AOB

No items raised.
