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NOTE

From: Presidency
To: Working Party on Frontiers/False Documents/Mixed Committee
(EU-Iceland/Liechtenstein/Norway/Switzerland)
Subject: Questionnaire on detection of imposters

Following the discussions held in the meeting on 2 February 2017 of the Working Party for Frontiers/ False Documents, the Presidency submits in Annex a revised version of its questionnaire on the detection of imposters.

The questions 6, 7, 11, 23, 24, 25 have been added, questions 10, 16, 19 have been modified, and question 20 (of the unrevised version) has been removed.

Delegations are kindly requested to fill in the questionnaire and to submit it by **2nd March 2017** to the following e-mail addresses: frontiersfd.mhas@gov.mt, ryan.caruana@gov.mt and klaus-dieter.rudolph@consilium.europa.eu.

I. INTRODUCTORY QUESTIONS

1. Is Imposter training offered in your Member State? If Yes, what type of training is offered (for e.g. workshop)?
2. By whom is the Imposter training offered? Kindly elaborate your answer. (For example, offered in-house; by a specialized Agency or Institution etc.)
3. How long is the Imposter training? Kindly indicate the No. of days or No. of hours.
4. To whom is the Imposter training offered to?
5. Are law enforcement officials (police, border guards etc.) encouraged to attend trainings provided outside the Member State? If so, kindly indicate the trainings which are attended and where.
6. What is the behaviour of the imposters during document check?
7. How many lost/stolen national documents (passports/ ID cards/ others) have been reported by your authorities to Interpol SLTD database in 2014-2016?

II. CONTENT & ASSESSMENT OF THE TRAINING

8. Kindly indicate the content & modules of the Imposter training.
9. Does the training cater for minor imposters? If so, how?
10. Does the training cater for different ethnic groups? If so, how? Any nationalities presenting extra difficulties during facial recognition?
11. Are aging features included in the training content?

12. Are any online training tools made use of? If Yes, kindly indicate which ones and the Platform used.
13. Is a training manual circulated among the participants? How was this training manual developed?
14. Is the training followed by an assessment? If so, what type of assessment is carried out (for e.g. exam-like assessment with questions; real-life simulation etc.)?
15. A re-fresher's course is provided every _____months and/ or_____ Years.
16. How often is the Imposter Training revised & updated? Who is responsible for this update?
17. Do the National Law Courts recognize the trained officer as an expert? If not, kindly elaborate.
18. Is face recognition software used? If yes, what systems are used?
19. Is there a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) which is followed when the border guard identifies an imposter? If yes, kindly elaborate and indicate any difficulties that the Member State faces with such procedure, as well as who is responsible for developing the SOP, its revision and updates.

III. WAY FORWARD

20. Should the training tools be available/ uploaded/ linked to the existing databases like FADO & iFADO?
21. How satisfactory is the Imposter training? Kindly rate from 1 to 5 (1 being the most satisfactory and 5 being the least satisfactory).
22. How can Imposter training be further improved?

23. What would enhance efficiency of imposter detections? Kindly indicate any measures that should be taken to mitigate risks linked to imposter.
 24. Any pointers to help detect imposters?
 25. Where there any cases of morphing? If so, what has led to the detection of these cases?
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