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From: Working Party on General Matters, including Evaluations (GENVAL)
On: 5 May 2017
To: Delegations
Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as set out in doc. CM 2585/17.

2. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Adoption of the report on Luxembourg

The draft report on Luxembourg, as set out in doc. 7162/1/17 REV 1 GENVAL 22 CYBER 38 RESTREINT, was adopted by the Working Party following the discussion held at last GENVAL meeting on 7 April 2017.

3. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Adoption of the report on Ireland

The draft report on Ireland, as set out in doc. 7160/1/17 REV 1 GENVAL 21 CYBER 37 RESTREINT, was adopted by the Working Party following the discussion held at last GENVAL meeting on 7 April 2017.

4. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Adoption of the report on Germany

The draft report on Germany, as set out in doc. 7159/1/17 REV 1 GENVAL 20 CYBER 36 RESTREINT, was adopted by the Working Party following the discussion held at last GENVAL meeting on 7 April 2017.

5. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Discussion of the report on Austria

The expert team responsible for the evaluation presented the content of the draft report on Austria and the ensuing conclusions and recommendations, as set out in doc. 8185/17 GENVAL 41 CYBER 56 RESTREINT.

BG, LT and DE asked some questions addressed to Austria, which were responded by the Austrian national authorities.

The draft report on Austria will be presented at next GENVAL meeting for adoption.

6. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Discussion of the report on Sweden

The expert team responsible for the evaluation presented the content of the draft report on Sweden and the ensuing conclusions and recommendations, as set out in doc. 8188/17 GENVAL 42 CYBER 57 RESTREINT.

HR, EE and FI asked some questions addressed to Sweden, which were responded by the Swedish national authorities.

The draft report on Sweden will be presented at next GENVAL meeting for adoption.

7. Seventh round of mutual evaluations

- Discussion of the report on Belgium

The expert team responsible for the evaluation presented the content of the draft report on Belgium and the ensuing conclusions and recommendations, as set out in doc. 8212/17 GENVAL 43 CYBER 58 RESTREINT.

FR and PL asked some questions addressed to Belgium, which were responded by the Belgian national authorities.

The draft report on Belgium will be presented at next GENVAL meeting for adoption.

8. Eighth round of mutual evaluations

- Discussion and adoption of the draft questionnaire

The Working Party discussed and adopted the revised draft questionnaire prepared by the Presidency for the purpose of the 8th round of mutual evaluations, as set out in doc. 7752/1/17 REV 1, subject to some minor additional changes proposed by some delegations.

- Discussion on order of visits and observers

The Working Party discussed and adopted the order of visits for the 8th evaluation round, as set out in doc. 7834/1/REV 1, subject to some changes in the initial part of the list. The Working Party also agreed on the composition of the teams for the 8th evaluation round, with the participation of the Commission, Eurojust and Europol as observers.

SE, supported by a number of delegations, raised some doubts regarding the criteria followed to establish the order of visits and proposed to start a reflection on a new methodology with a view to defining the order of visits for future evaluation rounds.

9. A.O. B.

- **Evaluation of the European Network on Victims' Rights (ENVR)**
- **Information by the Presidency**

The Presidency informed the Working Party about the positive outcome of the evaluation foreseen by the June 2016 Council conclusions establishing the European Network on victims' rights (ENVR). The HU delegation informed the Working Party that a sufficient number of participating Member States already exists and this enables the network to apply for the operational grant. Some delegations confirmed their support for making ENVR more permanent.
