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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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1. With the aim of enhancing cooperation in the field of Disaster Victim Identification, the Maltese Presidency presented a discussion paper with proposed activities in this field to the Law Enforcement Working Party (LEWP) at the meeting on 13 February 2017, as set out in 5826/17.
2. On the basis of the discussion at that LEWP meeting, the Presidency prepared a first draft Council Conclusions on the creation of an informal network of experts competent in the field of Disaster Victim Identification (8222/17).
3. The abovementioned draft was discussed at the LEWP meeting on 21 April 2017. Based on the discussion and subsequent written contributions by delegations, the Presidency prepared a revised draft Council conclusions (9477/17). This revised draft was approved by LEWP in a silence procedure which was launched on 22 May 2017 and expired on 23 May 2017.
4. ***COREPER is invited to submit the draft Council conclusions on the creation of an informal network of experts competent in the field of Disaster Victim Identification as set out in 9477/17 to the Council and to suggest that it adopts these draft Council Conclusions.***