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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From: General Secretariat of the Council
On: 1 June 2017
To: Delegations
Subject: Outcomes of the Horizontal Working Party on Drugs meeting

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as outlined in doc. CM 2934/1/17 REV 1 with the addition of the following points under AOB:

- Lisbon Addictions Conference and TWIST project;
- Update on new psychoactive substance furanylfentanyl;
- Launch of the 2017 European Drug Report.

2. Discussion on the draft EU Action Plan on Drugs 2017-2020

Delegations held the final discussion on the draft EU Action Plan on Drugs, outlined in doc. 9608/17 CORDROGUE 66 SAN 216 ENFOPOL 266 RELEX 454 COSI 116 COAFR 150 COASI 62 COEST 107 COLAC 45 COWEB 63 CONUN 121 COHOM 67 COSCE 3 DROIPEN 73 UD 131. The revised version of the Action Plan was prepared at the meeting and submitted to the silence procedure due to expire on 6 June 2017. The Presidency announced that the Action Plan should be adopted by the Council in the second half of June 2017.

3. Preparation for the CND intersessional meeting

The Presidency informed delegations about the forthcoming CND intersessional meeting to be held on 6 June 2017 in Vienna, especially as regards the work of the Statistical Commission and the future work on drug-related statistics. It was noted that the possible changes in global reporting practices on drugs would affect Europe most as it has the most developed reporting system. The UK delegation announced a side event on the implementation of the CND Decisions in Member States to be held at the CND intersessional meeting.

4. Report of the XIX High Level Meeting of the EU-CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs

The Presidency reported on the above-mentioned meeting, held on 18-19 May 2017 in Buenos Aires, where the Buenos Aires declaration (doc. 9582/17 CORDROGUE 64 COLAC 43) and the annual report of the EU-CELAC cooperation (doc. 9583/17 CORDROGUE 65 COLAC 44) were adopted. The Presidency referred to the Buenos Aires declaration as a good example of cooperation with other third countries and was satisfied with important references to the implementation of the UNGASS outcome document included in this declaration.

5. Update on relevant international events

The representative of the EEAS reported on the recent meeting of the joint justice and home affairs committee with Israel, where drug-related issues were also discussed. According to the representative, Israel appreciated cooperation with the EU, and specifically with the EMCDDA. The speaker also announced that the ASEAN Regional Forum, to which the EU is a party, had drafted a statement on drugs to be adopted at its forthcoming meeting in Manila on 8 August 2017. She explained that such a statement opened new possibilities for dialogue and that HDG delegates would be invited to comment on it. The representative also updated delegations on a recent visit to the Philippines.

The NL delegation updated the meeting on the discussions held at the World Health Assembly, where drugs were also discussed, and a relevant resolution endorsed. Delegations also exchanged views on the statement on new psychoactive substances prepared for the 26th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly to be held on 5-9 July 2017 in Minsk. The representative of the EMCDDA drew delegations' attention to the adoption of two resolutions on imprisonment and HIV at the recent Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) meeting in Vienna.

6. Preparation for the Dublin Group meeting

The Chair of the Dublin Group gave an overview of the forthcoming discussions at the Dublin Group meeting to be held on 2 June 2017 (doc. CM 2810/17).

7. AOB

– Lisbon Addictions Conference and TWIST project

The PT delegation updated delegations on the above-mentioned conference to be held in Lisbon on 24-26 October 2017 and introduced the new TWIST (Training With Stakeholders – applying EU drug and addiction research) project funded by the European Commission under the Justice Programme, which will provide a two-day training programme, aimed at early-stage addiction professionals, within the scope and programme of Lisbon Addictions Conference. She informed the meeting that those interested in participating in the TWIST project should apply by 30 June 2017.

– Update on new psychoactive substance furanylfentanyl

The representative of the Commission informed delegations that the proposal for a Council decision as regards furanylfentanyl would be presented in the beginning of July.

– Launch of the 2017 European Drug Report

The representative of the EMCDDA informed the meeting that the above-mentioned report would be released on 6 June 2017 and a press conference would be held on that occasion in Brussels.