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1. This document contains a set of policy recommendations which was drawn up by the Working Party on Terrorism on the basis of SITCEN reports. The recommendations are set out in Annex to this note.
2. At its meeting of 23-24 October 2006, the Article 36 Committee agreed the aforementioned set of policy recommendations and forwarded it to COREPER/Council for approval.
3. On this basis COREPER is requested to invite the Council to approve the policy recommendations set out in Annex.

Policy recommendations from disrupted attack in the United Kingdom

Note: these policy recommendations can be included in the respective EU Counter Terrorism Action Plans.

1. The TWG endorses ongoing work to develop a counter terrorism explosives research portfolio, and encourages Member States to ensure that experts from all relevant fields are involved as appropriate.

Action taken by: Member States, Council, Commission

2. Member States should work towards more effective implementation of physical screening for passengers, staff, cargo and catering supplies, of personnel security measures (ie thorough checks on staff with airside access), and of measures to protect the integrity of retail goods sold airside. Where appropriate they should also continue to look for possibilities to develop new security measures and technologies, additional to those listed above, which might enhance aviation security further.

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3. Considering that the threat of terrorism is an always changing and developing phenomenon, the capabilities of the Member States to respond to new threats have to be developed accordingly. The possibility of using the Peer Evaluation process again in the future as a tool for assessing and improving the Member States' capacities in the field of counter terrorism should be examined further.

Action taken by: Member States, Council

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- Media coverage of incidents related to terrorism is usually extensive. Best practices found in Member States concerning successful media relations in cases of serious crime or terrorism should be shared and studied in order to be able to maintain and create good policies with regards to media coverage of terrorist incidents. If appropriate, use of the EU media strategy could be included in this work.

Action taken by: Member States, Council, Commission

- Terrorism by persons born or raised in EU Member States, has been pointed out as a trend for Islamist terrorists which is expected to continue. There is a need for enhanced analysis of this phenomenon and exchange of information about its specific characteristics in different Member States."

Action taken by: Member States, Council, Commission, Europol, SitCen

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