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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
On:	13 May 2014
To:	Terrorism Working Party
Subject:	Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as set out in doc. CM 2637/14.

2. Information by the Presidency

The Presidency informed about

- the EU/US workshop in Athens on 22 May on the issue of the financing of terrorism;
- the joint seminar on the use of Article 36 of SIS II in the framework of the workstream on foreign fighters in the afternoon session of the Working Party on "Schengen Matters" (SIS/SIRENE) on 16 April.

3. Incidents of significant interest - Information from Member States

Several Member States presented specific and terrorism related incidents which occurred on their territories.

4. 'Tablighi Jamaat in Europe'

– Presentation by IntCen (EU Confidential)

Delegations briefly discussed the classified information presented by the IntCen representative.

5. Draft Revised EU Strategy for Combating Radicalisation and Recruitment to Terrorism Draft Action Plan for the EU Strategy for Combating Radicalisation and Recruitment to Terrorism

Based on discussions on doc. 5643/3/14 REV 3 JAI 35 ENFOPOL 16 COTER 4, delegations agreed on the amendments made to the draft Revised Strategy. The result would be presented at the joint TWP/COTER meeting the following day and subsequently submitted to COREPER/Council for adoption.

Delegations generally welcomed the Presidency's approach to prepare Guidelines for the implementation of the Strategy instead of an Action Plan (doc. DS 1163/1/14) and to start in-depth discussions on the actions at the TWP meeting in June. The incoming Presidency voiced concerns as to the open issue of whether MS need, further to these Guidelines, an additional document on the implementation of the Strategy and whether this additional document would bear another than the advisory character of the Guidelines.

Delegations were invited by the Presidency to submit comments on the draft Guidelines as amended during the meeting and the issue of a possible additional document¹.

6. Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN) and the support to Member States in the area of prevention

– Presentation by the Commission

Delegations took note of information on how Member States may further profit from additional RAN projects supported by the Commission (doc. DS 1231/14).

¹ After the meeting, the Presidency set 6 June as deadline for submitting comments.

7. Foreign fighters and returnees from a counter-terrorism perspective, in particular with regard to Syria: state of play

– Presentation by the Counter Terrorism Coordinator

Delegations supported the CTC paper (see doc. 9280/14 JAI 261 PESC 443 COSI 35 COPS 103 ENFOPOL 121 COTER 21) and started discussions on how to tackle the implementation of the suggested new actions.

The incoming Presidency invited delegations to reply to their questionnaire on multi national ad hoc teams (see doc. CM 2697/14).

8. Draft Council Conclusions on Terrorism & Border Security

Delegations discussed the draft Conclusions and requested some amendments to doc. 6626/3/14 REV3 JAI 96 ENFOPOL 40 COTER 8 ENFOCUSTOM 59. The last outstanding issues would be addressed at the joint TWP/COTER meeting the following day.

9. The situation in the Western Balkans and its implication for the terrorist threat within the EU

9.1. Presentation by Austria

Delegations took note of the information presented with a focus on extremism in the context of foreign fighters.

9.2. Presentation by Slovenia (EU Confidential)

Delegations took note of classified information presented by Slovenia.

9.3. Presentation by Bosnia – Herzegovina

Delegations took note of information presented by Bosnia - Herzegovina.

9.4. *Discussion – General findings*

Delegations welcomed this specific exchange of views and stressed that it was time to raise awareness of the regional situation as a matter of concern. Particularly Member States more affected by the situation due to their geographical location underlined the need to exchange best practices between competent national authorities on issues such as suspect migratory flows or violence prone extremist ideology, and urged for a coordinated cross-border approach to cope with the problems identified.

10. Information on Counter-terrorism activities

10.1. CTC

No information was given.

10.2. Commission

The Commission informed

- about its Communication on "a new EU approach to the detection and mitigation of CBRN-E risks"² published on 5 May;
- about the high level RAN conference in Brussels, 17 June;
- about the presentation to MS, relevant EU bodies and the US mission of a report on mapping diasporas in EU and US on 3 June.

² see doc. 9550/14 PROCIV 41 ENFOPOL 128 JAI 288 CHIMIE 24 ATO 41 RECH 181
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10.3. *EEAS*

Delegates were informed on the First Expert Meeting of the GCTF “Foreign Terrorist Fighters” (FTF) Initiative in Marrakech, Morocco on 14-15 May 2014. The joint initiative by NL and Morocco was presented on 26 September 2013 during the GCTF Coordinating Committee Meeting in New York, followed by the opening meeting on 19-20 February in The Hague. The meeting aimed to gather law enforcement and judiciary experts to examine good practices on how to deal with the issue of FTFs.

11. **AOB**

No issue was raised under this point.
