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From: Presidency

To: Law Enforcement Working Party

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Subject: Results of the meeting of experts for major sports events held on 30 April 2014 in Brussels

The meeting of experts for major sports events under the Hellenic Chairmanship was held in the framework of the LEWP on 30 April 2014 in Brussels.

The LEWP is invited to take note of the results of this meeting set out below.

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 2397/14 with the deletion of points 7 and 8.

2. World Cup FIFA 2014 – Discussion on the final preparations

The Chair of the Think Tank gave an overview of issues related to the preparations for the police cooperation at World Cup FIFA 2014 which were raised at the meeting of the Standing Committee of the European Convention on Spectator Violence held on 28-29 April 2014 in Strasbourg. A thorough exchange of views by the representatives of the qualifying Member States followed as regards the communication with Brazilian authorities on dispatching police delegations to Brazil during the World Cup. It was agreed that the Chair of the European Think Tank together with the Chair of the Standing Committee of the Council of Europe on Spectator Violence would send a letter to FIFA and to Interpol inviting them to make the necessary efforts in contributing to ensuring security of this event, but also of the future World Cups in 2018 and 2022.

3. The Memorandum of Understanding concerning international police cooperation in connection with providing safety and security during major sports events with an international dimension

The PL delegation briefly referred to the comments received following the previous experts' meeting in relation to the draft template of a Memorandum of Understanding, which could become an annex to the EU Football Handbook in the future. Delegations were informed that a thorough discussion on this subject would take place at the forthcoming Think Tank meeting.

4. Future of the NFIP Website. Possible cooperation with Europol and Interpol

The DK delegation presented the outcome of discussions with Europol on the possibility to place the NFIP website on Europol's European Platform for Experts (EPE), its advantages and disadvantages. The FR delegation informed the meeting about contacts with Interpol exploring the possibility to move the NFIP website there. The Chair concluded that Europol and Interpol would be invited to the forthcoming Think Tank meeting to discuss this issue further.

5. PE-FPTP and CEPOL plans for 2014

A representative of CEPOL noted that as a follow-up to the Pan-European Football Police Training Project (PE-FPTP) CEPOL started organising similar training activities in 2013. Delegations were informed about the activity scheduled to take place in September 2014 in the Czech Republic and a webinar organised by France on 22 May 2014. Provisional plans for 2015 were also presented.

6. Upcoming UEFA-EU stadium and security conference

The meeting took note of presentation by the BE delegation on the preparations for the UEFA-EU stadium and security conference scheduled to take place on 10-12 September 2014 in Warsaw, focusing in particular on the main themes of the event: the use of social media in ensuring security, the use of video cameras for crowd management, best practices on exclusion strategy and dynamic crowd simulations.

7. Implications of the financial crisis on police cooperation

Item was deleted from the agenda.

8. FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship Poland 2014

Item was deleted from the agenda.

9. Plans of the incoming Presidencies

The meeting took note of the brief information by the IT delegation about its plans to organise the Think Tank meeting in Rome on 27-28 May 2014 and the meeting of experts for major sports events in the framework of the LEWP in Brussels on 9 October 2014.

10. Any other business

No points were raised under AOB.
