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From:	Mashreq/Maghreb Working Party
To:	Political and Security Committee
Subject:	Common Messages on Libya

Following the tasking by the Political and Security Committee of 8 July 2014, the Mashreq/Maghreb Working Party agreed on 11 July 2014 on the Common Messages on Libya as set out in the Annex to this document. The Political and Security Committee is invited to approve these Common Messages.

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MESSAGES TO LIBYAN INTERLOCUTORS (especially newly-elected MPs) IMMEDIATELY AFTER PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

The common messages as adopted in PSC on 12 February remain valid. These messages reflect recent developments and/or provide additional focus and therefore do not repeat the issues covered in the February common messages.

- 1. Welcome the June elections which offer a window of opportunity to put the transition process back on track. Council of Representative (CoR) is advised to swiftly decide on the methods with clear procedures and timelines for the election of the President, appointment of PM, establishment of new government, and the CoR Rules of Procedure.
- 2. CoR to use opportunity to improve Parliament's credibility in the eyes of the Libyan people by displaying unity of purpose and respecting the law and its own Rules of Procedures, while ensuring transparency of its workings and deliberations. MPs should carry out their tasks with integrity and in the interest of the country.
- 3. Support the vital work of the Constitutional Drafting Assembly.
- 4. Call for a political dialogue to salvage the Libyan led transition process and to address the key political and security issues.
- 5. All should refrain from resorting to violence to pursue their own objectives.
- 6. The new government should be formed through an inclusive process and represent the will of the Libyan people.
- 7. CoR and government must agree on a clear division/delineation of responsibilities.
- 8. Stress the importance of ongoing efforts of UNSMIL with the support of Special Envoys to advance political dialogue and build consensus.

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- 9. Effective engagement with civil society, including through a transparent and inclusive national dialogue, is essential.
- 10. Address human rights violations and bring those responsible to justice. Encourage the cooperation with the International Criminal Court.
- 11. Improve respect of human rights of migrants and their humanitarian conditions in the reception and detentions centres. Enable UNHCR to fully assist the Libyan authorities in resolving matters related to asylum seekers and refugees.
- 12. Need to address, with support of the international community, human trafficking, smuggling of migrants and illicit goods, weapons proliferation, improved border management, including maritime borders, and ensuring adequate search and rescue capabilities and reception capacities to rescued persons.
- 13. Message about Operation Dignity: EU supports the fight against terrorism, but this fight must be government-led. All armed brigades should urgently be brought under one central command and control.
- 14. Protect the rights of minorities, women and the freedom of religion or belief. Minorities must participate in the political and constitutional processes. Boycotts will not assist in safeguarding their rights.
- 15. Explain mandate and objective of EUBAM and seek support for implementation of mission mandate.
- 16. Need to support efforts to peacefully solve the disruption of oil and gas exports.

MESSAGES LIBYA TO NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES AND REGIONAL PLAYERS

- 1. EU is concerned about current political and security situation in Libya. Libya's neighbors and regional partners have a critical role to play in trying to reverse the destabilizing trends taking place and to support national dialogue and the reconciliation process in the country.
- 2. EU encourages regional dialogue process and stands ready to support constructive initiatives aimed at bringing the Libyan transition process back on track.
- 3. Libya's problems require political solutions that seek to unite all factions willing to participate peacefully. Encourage all factions in Libya to participate in constructive negotiations and discourage parties from resorting to violence.
- 4. Support the ongoing efforts of UNSMIL to advance political dialogue and build consensus. In this respect, the International Community must remain fully engaged in support of Libya and should act in a closely coordinated and coherent way led by the UN.
- 5. Refrain from supporting any group that does not respect the rule of law.
- 6. Support the fight against terrorism, which must be government-led. All actions not-endorsed by the government undermine Libya's democratic transition process.
- 7. Expect partners to support fight against dissemination of weapons and against illicit trafficking in the region.
- 8. EU welcomes increased Arab League and AU engagement and the appointment of their special envoys. The Arab League and the AU can play an important role in supporting efforts of UNSMIL to achieve a political settlement in Libya, and in elaborating a joint approach to managing regional security. EU stands ready to work with the AU and LAS.
- 9. Explain mandate and objective of EUBAM and seek support for implementation of mission mandate.

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