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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From: General Secretariat of the Council
On: 11 December 2014
To: Meeting of Technical Committee of the EU-CELAC Mechanism on Drugs
Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 51792207/14 with the deletion of agenda item 6 "Presentations".

2. Follow-up to the XVIth High Level Meeting of the EU - CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs

The Greek delegation and the Guatemalan delegation gave an overview of the XVIth High Level Meeting of the EU – CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs held in Athens on 18 - 19 June 2014, during which thematic debates on new psychoactive substances and institutionality looks at a public health and human rights approach to the world drug problem were held and a number of other important issues, including preparation for the UNGA Special Session on Drugs in 2016 were discussed. The Guatemalan delegation called for even closer cooperation between the EU and CELAC in preparation for UNGASS 2016.

3. Presentation of the outcomes of the COPOLAD Biregional Conference

The representative of the COPOLAD gave an overview of the COPOLAD Biregional Conference held in Athens on 17 June 2014, which dealt with public health approach to the drugs policy, and during which the participants highlighted a need for a new approach to drug policies, based on public health.

4. Outcome of the CELAC – EU cooperation activities

The representative of the Commission updated the meeting on the ongoing activities carried out within the framework of different components of the Cocaine Route Programme and informed the delegations that in the future, in partnership with the UNODC and Interpol, a new action to support regional and transregional judicial cooperation along the cocaine route should be launched in 2015 and that the activities related with drug precursors in the future would be incorporated into the COPOLAD II programme.

The representative of the COPOLAD programme gave an update of the most recent COPOLAD activities, including the launching of the early warning systems in three CELAC countries, different meetings and conferences organised and a study on cocaine trafficking routes by air, due to be published in the first semester of 2015. She also noted that the closing COPOLAD conference to be held on 10 February 2015 in Montevideo, Uruguay would summarise the COPOLAD's work of all four years.

The representative of the Commission informed the meeting that COPOLAD II would be launched at latest in 2016 with an increased budget, and that it would encompass all the current components of the programme as well as activities on drug precursors. The speaker also announced that the beneficiaries of the programme would be all Latin American countries, including the Caribbean countries. The CELAC co-Presidency stressed the importance of the possibility for all Latin American countries, including the Caribbean countries, to profit from the funding provided by the programme.

5. XVII High Level Meeting of the EU - CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs

The CELAC co-Presidency informed the meeting about practicalities related with the XVIIth High Level Meeting of the EU - CELAC Coordination and Cooperation Mechanism on Drugs to be held on 11-12 February 2015 in Montevideo, Uruguay, and delegations discussed the further preparation for the meeting. A deadline of 20 January 2015 was set for providing the information about the participation in the meeting. The German delegation stressed the importance of alternative development and proposed to include this issue into the agenda of the forthcoming meeting.

6. AOB

No issues were discussed under this agenda item.
