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Delegations will find in the annex the Council conclusions on the Special Report No. 13/2018 by the European Court of Auditors: "Tackling radicalisation that leads to terrorism: the Commission addressed the needs of Member States, but with some shortfalls in coordination and evaluation", adopted by the Council at its 3646th meeting held on 6 November 2018.

Council conclusions on the Special Report No. 13/2018 by the European Court of Auditors:

"Tackling radicalisation that leads to terrorism: the Commission addressed the needs of Member States, but with some shortfalls in coordination and evaluation"

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1. WELCOMES the European Court of Auditors' Special Report No. 13/2018 "Tackling radicalisation that leads to terrorism: the Commission addressed the needs of Member States, but with some shortfalls in coordination and evaluation"¹.
2. TAKES NOTE of the Commission's replies which accompany the Special Report and the fact that the Commission accept the main recommendations of the Special Report.
3. ACKNOWLEDGES the conclusions and recommendations of the Special Report and RECOGNISES that:
 - the framework for overall coordination of actions addressing radicalisation could be improved;
 - the practical support to practitioners and policymakers in Member States could be increased; and
 - the framework for assessing results could be improved.

¹ The report is available in all official languages on the following website:
<https://www.eca.europa.eu/en/Pages/DocItem.aspx?did=45801>

4. WELCOMES the actions already undertaken by the Commission after the adoption of the Special Report, having in mind in particular the final report of the High Level Commission Expert Group on Radicalisation (HLCEG-R). The report of the HLCEG-R was adopted on 18 May 2018, and sets out specific recommendations on a number of policy areas, such as radicalisation in prison, multi-stakeholder cooperation at local level, education and social inclusion. It also includes the establishment of a Steering Board to ensure the closer involvement of Member States on the strategic orientation of Union action in preventing and countering radicalisation and the gradual creation of a reinforced coordination and support structure within the Commission².
5. LOOKS FORWARD to the regular debriefs to the TWP and other relevant working parties on the ongoing work and to the evaluation of the progress made under the proposed EU cooperation mechanism in the course of 2019, against shared objectives and possible benchmarks. The results of this evaluation should be presented at the Justice and Home Affairs Council in December 2019.

² Please see also the COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE EUROPEAN COUNCIL AND THE COUNCIL Fifteenth Progress Report towards an effective and genuine Security Union (10206/18), in which the Commission presents the way forward on preventing radicalisation following the final report of the High-Level Expert Group on Radicalisation.