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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Summary of Discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda as set out in CM 2910/20 was adopted.

2. Preface by the Presidency

The Presidency welcomed delegations and explained the rules of conduct and technical advice for the virtual meeting. The Presidency introduced the chair and its representatives. The chair of the CCWP Experts gave an overview on the CCWP Experts' planning for the coming six months: CCWP in Experts format will operate through written procedure. Main topics will be:

- * CCWP Action Plan alignment with EMPACT
- * Institutionalisation of the annual Heads of CCUs meeting
- * Implementation of the 10th Action Plan
- * Joint session with DUWP on 10 November : (inter alia) Preparatory work on the future ECM and state of play of Stenfor

3. German Council Presidency programme in the CCWP

The Presidency presented its priorities for the coming six months.

The key aspects will be:

- Strengthening cooperation between Customs and other Law Enforcement authorities: - Enhance combatting smuggling of illegal goods via postal traffic
- Aligning the CCWP and EMPACT action planning
- Joint session CCWP with Law Enforcement Working Party (LEWP)
- Consideration of Customs specific challenges and chances of the Belt and Road Initiative in the EU
- Advancing the cooperation between Customs and Export Control authorities
- Joint session of the CCWP and the Dual-use Working Party (DUWP)
- Strengthening the Central Coordination Units (CCUs) by institutionalising the annual Heads-meetings or giving it a permanent mandate

Virtual meetings will be held on 11 September (joint meeting CCWP-LEWP) and 10 November (joint meeting CCWP-DUWP). One physical meeting is planned for December.

4. CCWP Trio Presidency programme

The Portuguese delegation presented the CCWP Trio Presidency programme for the coming 18 months. The main objectives are:

- * Enhancing Police, Customs & Judicial cooperation Increasing the contribution of Customs to Internal Security
- * Strengthening the fight against terrorism and cross-border crime, improving cooperation with third countries
- * External EU borders

* Improving cooperation & information-sharing - further developing our common instruments (EU-Info Systems)

5. Information from the Presidency

The CCWP took note of the information provided by the Presidency on documents and past and coming meetings relevant to the work of the CCWP, as set out in WK 7197/20.

6. Combatting smuggling of illegal goods via postal and parcel services

The Presidency made a presentation on combatting smuggling of illegal goods via postal and parcel services.

7. CCWP-AP cycle alignment with the SOCTA/EMPACT cycle

The Presidency presented its proposal to align the CCWP-AP with the SOCTA/EMPACT cycle, as set out in 9149/20. Delegations discussed the proposal.

8. Institutionalisation of the CCU

The Presidency presented its proposal, with two different options, for institutionalisation of the CCU, as set out in 9160/1/20. Delegations discussed the proposal.

9. European Financial and Economic Crime Centre (EFECC)

Europol presented the newly established EFECC.

10. Any other business

The Spanish delegation gave a brief presentation on the launch of Action 10.1.3.