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Subject: Working Party on Judicial Cooperation in Criminal Matters (COPEN - General Matters)

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Time: 10:30

Venue: COUNCIL

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Rue de la Loi 145, 1048 BRUSSELS

Format: 2+2

1. Welcome and adoption of the agenda

2. Mutual evaluations
 - a) 11th round: presentation and adoption of country reports
 - Report on Bulgaria
= 10253/26
 - Report on Austria
= 10628/26
 - Report on Germany
= 10629/26
 - b) Preparation of the 12th round (choice of topic)
 - Information from the Presidency
= WK 10450/26 (to be issued)
 - = Non-paper by the Belgian delegation
= WK 10466/26 (to be issued)
3. Proposal for a Council Decision determining the criteria and the procedure for establishing the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Council of Europe as regards the requests for accession of third parties to the Council of Europe Convention on Cybercrime ('Budapest Convention')
 - Continuation of examination
= 9081/26 + ADD 1
= 10556/26
4. Proposals for Council Decisions on the signature of the additional Protocol supplementing the CoE Convention on laundering, search, seizure and confiscation of the proceeds from crime and on the financing of terrorism (CETS no. 198) (Additional protocol to the Warsaw Convention)
 - Presentation by the Commission, examination
= 11726/26 (to be issued)
= 11730/26 (to be issued)
5. Draft Agreement between the European Union and the Republic of Colombia on cooperation between the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust) and the authorities of the Republic of Colombia competent for judicial cooperation in criminal matters
 - Continuation of examination
= WK 10373/26 (to be issued)
6. Council of Europe Convention for the protection of the profession of lawyer – Non-paper from the Commission explaining the difficulties that have been encountered in preparing proposals for Council Decisions on the signature and conclusion of the Convention
 - Presentation by the Commission, exchange of views
= WK 10374/26 (to be issued)

7. International negotiations in the field of criminal law - Updated overview of ongoing and proposed new negotiations
 - Presentation by the Presidency
 - = WK 10376/26 (to be issued)
 8. AOB
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