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from:	Presidency
to:	Delegations
Subject:	Implementation of measures identified as contributing to the successful enlargement of the Schengen area to include Romania and Bulgaria.

At its meeting on 1/2 March, the European Council, recalling its discussions in 2011, reiterated that all legal conditions have been met for the decision on Bulgaria's and Romania's accession to the Schengen area to be taken. The European Council also acknowledged the continuous efforts undertaken by Bulgaria and Romania.

The European Council in this regard requested the Council, during the intervening period, to identify and implement measures which would contribute to the successful enlargement of the Schengen Area to include Romania and Bulgaria.

COREPER at its meeting on 6 June 2012, on the basis of 10652/12, took note of the measures identified by the Danish Presidency in collaboration with relevant Member States, the Commission and FRONTEX and encouraged Member States and, as appropriate, FRONTEX, to fully contribute to their implementation in conformity with the conclusions of the European Council.

The Presidency has, on the basis of information received from relevant delegations and FRONTEX, prepared the attached overview regarding the implementation of the measures identified.

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FRONTEX PLANNED ACTIVITIES REGARDING BULGARIA AND ROMANIA IN 2012

Planned activities	Description	Information about participating MS
BULGARIA		
Missions at the land borders		
Joint Operation Poseidon Land 2012	 Implementation: Greek-Turkish and Bulgarian-Turkish border; implementation period: Permanent March 2012- January 2013; Core idea: to coordinate the EU Member State's operational solidarity to render effective border security at South-Eastern EU External borders in tackling the exceptional situation of irregular migration towards Greece and ensuring preparedness for relevant reaction against displacement effect towards Bulgaria. Operational objectives: Identify possible risk and threats Enhance exchange of knowledge among officers Enhance border security by counteracting organized crime groups facilitating illegal migration activities Enhance operational cooperation between Host and Home Member States Support establishment of permanent structures by strengthening the role of Local Coordination Centres in the JO coordination structure. Enhance exchange of information. 	The activated Focal Points are used as a platform for additional operational activities; within JO Poseidon Land there are currently no deployments of Guest Officers planned to Bulgaria in 2012. The operational situation at all border control units at the Bulgarian-Turkish border is constantly monitored by regularly reporting. Whenever the need for screening and debriefing of apprehended migrants occurs, the Regional Coordination Centre of the Joint Operation can decide on ad-hoc flexible deployment of a screening and debriefing team to Bulgaria. Since the beginning of the JO Poseidon 2012 - Land borders in Greece (28 March 2012), Bulgaria is participating with 42 officers – of them 30 specialized in green border surveillance and mobile thermo vision systems staff, 4 service dogs handlers with service dogs, 8 officials in the Regional Coordination Center in Alexandroupolis; 7 mobile thermo vision systems, 7 portable thermo vision systems, 12 patrol cars and 8 service cars.

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Joint Operation Focal Points 2012 Land	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementation: 1 April -31 December 2012 (permanent)	Bulgaria is participating as home and host MS in the JO Focal Points 2012 Land (at the moment, there are 3 Focal Points established in Bulgaria) The deployment of experts for border checks, documents and stolen vehicles is performed based on risk assessment and request by the host MS (Bulgaria). Currently Bulgaria is hosting 17 guest officers at the FP and is participating in the JO by sending 17 officers and 16 service cars at the external borders
		of Poland, Hungary, Slovenia, Greece and Romania.
• Focal Point Kalotina (border to Serbia; permanent)		3 guest officers were deployed in the JO Focal Points 2012 Land at Focal Point Kalotina, additionally, the deployment of 1 GO is planned (officers from FR, RO, SI, NL).
Focal Point Kapitan-Andreevo (border to Turkey; permanent)		18 guest officers from 8 different MS (NL, DE, RO, BE, AT, LV, LT, EE) were deployed in the
to rurkey, permanent,		JO Focal Points 2012 Land at BCP Kapitan
		Andreevo. Additional 5 deployments are scheduled.
• Focal Point Lesovo, (border to Turkey; temporary)		2 guest officers (RO, BE) are deployed at Focal Point Lesovo.

Missions at the air borders		
Pilot Project Flexi Force 2012 (Pulsar Programme)	A new response mechanism that allows the adoption of fully flexible operational actions within a short reaction time, a flexible deployment mechanism and a longer period of Action status. Pilot Project Flexi Force with its applicable operational modules (joint operations) is aimed to be a key mechanism for efficiently impacting illegal immigration and criminal networks and the basis for enhanced operational cooperation with Third Countries, EU Agencies and International Organizations. It is designed to provide the chance to face all emerging phenomena in a certain operational area.	2 Bulgarian Guest officers were deployed to IT - Milan Malpensa International Airport and Bulgaria hosted in May 2 guest officers during "Hubble" operational module of Flexi Force. Bulgaria also contributed to reporting during this operational module.
JO Meteor 2012	I cool is interpretation in one on two circumsta. Toilon mode	IO Metaer 2012 was alonged for the automore of
(Pulsar Programme)	Local joint operation in one or two airports. Tailor made deployment with a flexible number of guest officer deployment, Europol and Interpol cooperation.	JO Meteor 2012 was planned for the autumn of 2012 but had to be suspended because of adjustment of operational priorities in view of budget limitations.
JO with EU wide approach (Pulsar Programme)	An EU wide JO focusing on irregular migration of one or more specific target nationalities, with a large number of participating airports.	JO with EU wide approach was planned for the autumn of 2012 but had to be suspended because of adjustment of operational priorities considering budget limitations.
JO Focal Points 2012 Air (Focal Points Programme)	Platforms for facilitating coordinated operational cooperation, information gathering and exchange of knowledge and experience among border guards Additional deployments of observers between EU airports and third countries airports.	 - 1 Bulgarian officer was deployed at Amsterdam Airport in May 2012 and 1 Bulgarian officer was deployed at Bucharest Airport in July 2012. - Sofia Airport hosted 5 officers (4 NL and 1 DE) and will host one Ukrainian in November from Kiev airport. - 3 Bulgarian officers were deployed at airports in Germany (DUS), Romania (OTP) and Belgium (BRU). - 1 Bulgarian officer at medium management level was deployed at Amsterdam airport between 20 May and 20 June 2012 and 1 Dutch officer at medium management level was hosted

		at Sofia Airport between 20 May and 20 July 2012.
Reference Manual Pilot Project 2012	The project intends to update a document reference manual for deployed officers involved in Frontex JO. The reference Manual will contain Alerts and documents specimens.	Bulgaria is taking part in this project with one expert, who attended meetings organised from 25-30.03.2012 in Ljubljana, from 16-19.07.2012 in Warsaw and from 8-11 October 2012 in Lisbon presenting alert fiches on documents.
	Missions at the sea borders	
Focal Point Varna Port (Black Sea region)	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementing period: June-October 2012	Bulgaria is participating in the Program "Focal points – Varna harbour" 2012 from 1 st June until 31 st October 2012 hosting 3 guest officers at Varna harbour.
JO Minerva 2012	Improving the border control capacity taking into account the high number of travelers with the ferryboat from North Africa to Europe during the summer holiday season.	

ROMANIA			
	Missions at the land borders		
Joint Operation Focal Points 2012 Land	Further development and use of Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementation: 1 April -31 December 2012 (permanent)	 Romania is actively participating in the JO Focal Points 2012 Land by deploying their human resources and technical means. Romania has so far deployed experts in PL, HU, GR, BG, SI, LT. In addition, Romania supports the reinforcement of the HU-SRB border by deploying Thermo Vision Vans, experts with patrol cars and a dog handling team. Romania is also hosting 5 Focal Points. 4 of 	

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	them are active and are established at the future external border. 1 is at the future internal border to HU (FP Bors and can be activated in case of operational need). The deployment of experts for border checks, documents, stolen vehicles and border surveillance is performed based on risk assessment and request of host MS (Romania). Briefing of the 3 rd operational phase of the Joint Operation Focal Points 2012 Land took place from 30-31.08.2012 at the Iasi Training School for Agents. 50 experts of the MS and Frontex representatives attended, including 11 Romanian Border Police (RBP) experts that will be deployed in the last trimester of 2012. Secondment of 11 RBP experts during 19.09-04.12.2012, out of which 6 in Hungary, 3 in Poland, 1 in Bulgaria and 1 in Greece. 2 RBP experts attended the evaluation meeting of the land joint operations from 2012 organised in Alexandroupolis (Greece), on 18.09.2012. During 03-30.04.2012, 2 experts were deployed
• Focal Point Albita (border to MD)	for surveillance missions, having their own night vision devices. - At the moment there is 1 guest officer deployed
• Focal Point <u>Galati</u> (permanent, incl. Green border, border to MD)	 During 01-31.05.2012, 1 expert was seconded to BCP Galați-road in order to perform document checks. During 29.05-30.06.2012, 2 border surveillance experts were deployed. During 01.08 31.08.2012, 1 expert performed surveillance activities. 1 expert specialised in border surveillance was deployed between 1. And 27.9.2012.

		 At the moment Romania is hosting 1 expert and 1 expert from the Republic of Moldova (as observer; both until 31.10.2012). During 04.04.2012 - 02.05.2012, an expert was deployed for document checks and debriefing activities. During 30.05-27.06.2012 1 expert performed border checks.
Focal Point Moravița (permanent, border to SRB)		 1 expert is deployed in Moravita Focal Point between 3 31.10.2012. From 19.9 20.11.2012 3 RBP experts and 2
		translators are deployed in Moravita for debriefing activities.
• Focal Point <u>Sculeni</u> (temporary, border to MD)		During 01-31.05.2012, 2 border surveillance experts were deployed.
• Joint Operation Jupiter 2012	The core idea of the JO Jupiter 2012 is to strengthen border security capacities of the EU Member States along the Eastern European land borders.	
• First Operational Phase (11 July – 2 August 2012),	Border check and border surveillance experts will be deployed.	7 foreign experts were seconded (5 for border surveillance, 1 for border checks and 1 Frontex Support Officer).
• Second Operational Phase (29 August - 20 September 2012)		cancelled by Frontex
,	Missions at the air borders	
Pilot Project Flexi Force 2012	A new response mechanism that allows the adoption of	3 Romanian experts were deployed to Orly Paris
(Pulsar Programme)	fully flexible operational actions within a short reaction	Airport / France, Malpensa Milano Airport / Italy
	time, a flexible deployment mechanism and a longer	and Schipol Amsterdam/Netherlands during 25.04
	period of Action status.	-29.05.2012.
	Pilot Project Flexi Force with its applicable operational modules (joint operations) is aimed to be a key	Another Romanian expert was seconded to Munich Airport/Germany, during 08 –
	mechanism for efficiently impacting illegal immigration	29.05.2012;
	and criminal networks and the basis for enhanced	3 guest officers were hosted at H.Coandă Intl
	operational cooperation with Third Countries, EU	Airport Bucharest during_01 – 29.05.2012 (06 –
	Agencies and International Organizations.	29.05.2012 respectively)

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	It is designed to provide the chance to face all emerging phenomena in a certain operational area.	Under the second operational phase - Visa Integrity Module (13.06-01.07.12), 2 Romanian experts were deployed to Koln Airport/Germany and Schipol Amsterdam Airport/Netherlands In Henri Coanda Intl Airport Bucharest, 3 guest officers were deployed during 11.06 – 01.07.2012. Their activity was evaluated by a Frontex expert during 26-27.06.2012.
 JO Meteor 2012 (Pulsar Programme) JO with EU wide approach (Pulsar Programme) 	Local joint operation consisting in one or two airports with a flexible and open objective approach. Tailor made deployment with a flexible number of guest officer deployment, Europol and Interpol cooperation. An EU wide JO focusing on irregular migration of one or more specific target nationalities, with a large number of participating airports.	Romania expressed its interest to take part in the Joint Operations (planned for September-November 2012), but the Joint Operations had to be suspended because of adjustment of operational priorities in view of budget limitations.
JO Focal Points 2012 (Focal Points Programme)	Platforms for facilitating coordinated operational cooperation, information gathering and exchange of knowledge and experience among border guards.	Starting with 06.03.2012, a Romanian expert took part in the briefing held in Vienna and then during 09.03 – 07.05.2012 he attended the activities in Warsaw Intl Airport; Also, 2 Romanian representatives were deployed during 01.04 – 30.05.2012 to Vienna and Amsterdam Airports. The briefing organised during 07 – 08.03.2012 in Vienna was attended also by a Romanian local coordinator. On 16.05.2012 the briefing organised in Malpensa Airport was attended by a Romanian expert, then deployed to Amsterdam Airport (20.05-20.06.2012) Under the first operational phase three experts were deployed to Henri Coandă Intl Airport of Bucharest. Under the second operational phase, a Romanian expert was deployed during 20.05-20.06.2012 for

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		first and second line activities in Amsterdam Airport.
		During 31.05-31.07.2012, 3 Romanian representatives were seconded to Fiumicino, Porto and Amsterdam Airports for first and second line activities.
		Also, during 30.06-30.08.2012 a Romanian expert was deployed at Milan Airport. Starting with 01.08.2012, another Romanian expert was deployed to Athens until the end of September and a third one is currently seconded to Frankfurt Airport during 03.09-31.10.2012 (also attended the briefing of the 3 rd operational phase, which took place in Warsaw during 28-29.08.2012).
		3 experts (31.05-30.06.2012, 26.06 – 13.07.2012 and 01 – 31.07.2012 respectively) and 1 expert (01 – 31.07.2012) were deployed to Henri Coanda Intl Airport Bucharest.
		Starting with the beginning of October, an expert and a representative of Republic of Moldova (as observer) are deployed until the end of the month.
• Reference Manual Pilot Project 2012	The project intends to update a document reference manual for deployed officers involved in Frontex JO. The reference Manual will contain Alerts and documents specimens.	Romania is taking part in this project with one expert, who attended the meetings organised during 25-30.03.2012 in Ljubljana, 16-19.07.2012 in Warsaw, 3-14. September in Warsaw and 8-11 October 2012 in Lisbon presenting alert fiches on documents.

Missions at the sea borders		
• JO Focal Points 2012 Sea	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementing period: May-December 2012	
Focal Point Constanța Port (Black Sea region)	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementing period: June-October 2012:	During, 05 30.06.20122 2 experts carried out document check - related activities. 1 expert was seconded in the port of Constanta 01-31.07.2012. 2 experts were deployed 28.0801.10.2012. 3 experts are deployed from 01.1031.10.2012.
• Focal Point Varna (Black Sea region)	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementing period: June-October 2012	During 01.0631.08.2012, 1 Romanian expert was deployed in Varna and during 01.0731.08.2012 another Romanian expert for document checks was seconded.

INVOLVEMEN	T OF BULGARIA AND ROMANIA IN OTHER FRONTEX ACTIVITIES
• Joint Operation Poseidon Land 2012	Under the first 3 operational phases (27.03 - 21.06.2012), 15 Romanian experts were deployed in Greece: - 12 border surveillance specialists with day and night vision devices and 6 patrolling vehicles - 2 debriefers with 2 cars. - 1 Frontex Support Officer was deployed with a service car, replaced by another Romanian specialist during 22.04 - 21.06.2012.
	During 19.06 - 13.09.2012, Romania deployed 10 experts: - 6 border surveillance experts endowed with 6 patrolling vehicles and night and day vision devices, - 2 debriefers 1 canine team and - 1 Frontex Support Officer.
	During 09.09-08.11.2012, 10 Romanian experts are deployed in Greece, at the border with Turkey: 1 coordinating officer in the operational area, 2 debriefers and 6 border surveillance officers with 1 canine team and night vision devices.
	Also, during 11.07 - 15.08.2012, the General Inspectorate of Aviation deployed a helicopter with 27 crew members.
	- A Romanian representative attended the evaluation meeting of the Joint operation Poseidon Land and Attica 2012 in Alexandropoulis on 18.09.2012.
Focal Points Algeciras (West Med)	Further development and use of dedicated Focal Points for border check and border surveillance in order to improve detection and prevention of cross-border crime and enhance operational cooperation; providing support and training and establish a network for exchange of operational cooperation. Implementing period: May-July and September-December 2012.
	2 Romanian experts deployed (09.0613.07.2012 and 05.0901.11.2012); 2 experts planned to be deployed (01.1220.12.2012). 2 dog handling teams 15.0513.07.2012 and 05.0901.11.2012.
	1 Bulgarian document expert was deployed 15.0509.06.2012

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	1 Bulgarian document expert will be deployed 01.1101.12.2012		
Joint Operation Attica 2012	- From the beginning of the implementation of JO Attica 2012, (01.03.2012 until 11.10.2012), 3 Romanian officers were deployed to Greece:		
	- During 01.03 -31.05.2012, 1 Romanian officer was deployed as a FSO Return; a Team Leader for both		
	teams in Alexandropolis and Orestiada		
	- During 26.05 -31.08.2012, 1 Romanian officer was deployed as a FSO Return; a Team Leader for both		
	teams in Alexandroupolis and Orestiada		
	- During 19.06-19.07.2012, 1 Romanian officer was deployed in Orestiada		
	- Planned deployments until the end of the implementation of JO Attica 2012 i.e. 27.03.2013:		
	- 25.11.2012 -31.01.2013, 1 Romanian officer will be deployed as a FSO Return; a Team Leader for both teams in Alexandroupolis and Orestiada		
	- 27.01.2013-27.03.2013, 1 Romanian officer will be deployed as a FSO Return; a Team Leader for both		
	teams in Alexandroupolis and Orestiada		
• JO Eurocup 2012	Romania has deployed 8 green border surveillance experts with 3 patrol cars and 1 FSO (deployed in Frontex HQ)		
• JO Neptune 2012	Romania has deployed 2 green border surveillance experts in the first phase of JO Neptune 2012		
• Project Coordination Points 2012	Romania is ready to deploy 2 officers at the established Coordination Points in Moldova and Ukraine		
Joint Operation Poseidon Sea 2012	The RBP maritime vessel P-157 no. M.A.I 1103, having 27 crew members (6 officers and 21 agents) was deployed from 01.07 until 15.08.2012 in Preveza / GREECE for surveillance missions.		
	During this period of time, a liaison officer was also seconded to the International Coordination Centre in Piraeus/Greece.		
	The RBP maritime vessel P-157 no. M.A.I 1102, having 27 crew members (6 officers and 21 agents) was deployed from 16.08 until 30.09.2012 in Preveza / GREECE for surveillance missions.		
	The RBP maritime vessel P-157 no. M.A.I 1102, having 27 crew members (6 officers and 21 agents) was deployed from 01.10 until 31.10.2012 in Symi / GREECE for surveillance missions.		
	During 01.06-30.06.2012, 1 Romanian expert was deployed in BCP Kos for document checks.		
	Another 2 Romanian experts were seconded during 01.07 - 31.07.2012 to BCP Rhodes and BCP Chios with the same profile.		

	A further Romanian representative was deployed in Preveza as debriefer 31.07 01.09.2012.
	During 02.04 - 02.06.2012, 1 Romanian FSO was deployed in Samos.
	During 11.06 - 31.08.2012, 1 Romanian FSO was deployed in Preveza.
	During 17.05 - 31.08.2012, 2 Romanian SGO Debriefing experts were deployed in Patra.
	During 11.06 - 31.08.2012, 2 Romanian SGO FSO were deployed in Preveza.
	During 01.09 - 01.11.2012, 1 Romanian FSO were deployed in Lesvos.
. Is at Our and are Harmon and Assess	Romanian Border Police has deployed so far
• Joint Operations Hermes and Aeneas	- 2 RO debriefers in Trapani for Hermes extension (15.1. – 31.3. and 15.1. – 14.3.2012)
2012	- 1 RO Frontex Support Officer in Lampedusa during July and August 2012;
	- 2 RO debriefers in Bari for Aeneas extension, (8.1. – 31.3.2012);
	- 1 RO debriefer in Bari between 02.07 and 31.10.

• Maritime Operational Centres Pilot Project	Two visits took place in Rouen and Gdansk during February 2012, each attended by a Romanian representative
European Patrol Network Meetings	4 representatives of the RBP and 2 representatives of the General Inspectorate of Aviation participated in the meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark (March). 2 representatives of the RBP and 1 representatives of the General Inspectorate of attended the meeting in Vilnius, Lithuania (July). Participation is foreseen for the next EPN meeting in November in Toulon, France. The BG BP participated with 4 representatives at the meeting in Copenhagen, Denmark and with 2 representatives in the meeting in Vilnius, Lithuania. Participation of 2 representatives is foreseen for the next meeting in November in Toulon, France.
• Joint Operation Indalo 2012	RBP participation comprised of 1 FSO between 15.05-01.07.
• Joint Operation Minerva 2012	RBP participation comprised of 4 document experts (1 in Ceuta, 1 in Tarifa and 2 in Algeciras). The RNP participated with 4 dog teams.

Romania deployed 6 experts during this project starting with 1.6..2012.. until the end of August; the experts **Seconded Guest Officers Pilot Project** wee flexibly used by the Agency for operational activities relating to different joint operations. 2 Romanian experts attended the 15th meeting of the FRONTEX Pooled Resources Network in Geneve/Switzerland during 04 – 06.09.2012. TRAINING ACTIVITIES The "Training tool focused on Trafficking Specific objectives: During 12-16.03.2012, Romanian in Human Beings" was developed in To train multipliers in the Member States and representatives participated in the pilot project together with representatives of 10 other EUcooperation with EU agencies/NGO and Schengen Associated Countries. international organisations. • To facilitate the training of the first and second line MS officers on national level. Bulgaria and Romania took part in the development of the 2 Romanian representatives attended the training tool and pilot training. meeting organised in Luban/Poland during 09 -The training tool will be translated into Bulgarian and 14.07.2012, with the aim of training the trainers and translating the Manual on the Romanian. Bulgaria and Romania nominated national trainers to be prevention and countering of trafficking in trained by Frontex. Anti-trafficking training for first and human beings. second line officers will be implemented in both countries. Bulgaria participated with 2 experts in the Activities until September 2012: training on detection of trafficking in human Anti-trafficking pilot training – March 2012 beings victims (12-16 March 2012) and with 1 Translator workshop - Bulgaria - May 2012 expert (representative of MoI Academy) in the Translator workshop – Romania – July 2012 Translator workshop (27 May-1 June 2012). Representative of the MoI Academy will be trained in November (6. - 8.11.2012) to become a national trainer in countering the trafficking in human beings. The False Document Detection project is part of the During 18 – 23.03.2012, a Romanian specialist Specific training False activities **Documents Detection.** program Common Standards for further training and in false documents participated to the first specialization of Border Guards 2011-2013; it continues seminar organised by Frontex at the level of and further develops the achievements of the 2007-2010 Frontex Partner Academy from Netherlands. projects. Romania is furthermore represented in the The project is based on the outcomes of the Document Board of Experts by a forensic specialist of the Specialist Board meetings, which took place in September Romanian Border Police who attended the

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and December 2011 and aimed at providing MS/SAC with meeting organised on 26 - 29.06.2012 in professional seminars to establish common standards for Amsterdam, by Frontex Partner Academy from the 1st an 2nd line border guards in order to harmonize Netherlands (also attended by a Bulgarian their competences and specific skills and to facilitate national expert). networking on an expert level. The specific training activities are designed based on Frontex risk analysis, In June 2012 1 Bulgarian border police officer lessons learnt from Frontex coordinated Joint Operations (from Regional Border Police Directorate and inputs from the Member States. Sofia Airport) participated in the specialized Romania and Bulgaria took part in several Specialist training course on false documents detection in courses for the detection of Falsified Documents (level 1) the Netherlands in the Netherlands. Since June 2012 Bulgaria is also a member ogf Bulgaria took part in 2008 (1 participant) 2009 (2 the FRONTEX Document specialist Board. In participants) and 2011 (1 participant) for 2012 there will the period 26 – 29 June 2012 1 Bulgarian be 1 participant invited for the course in June 2012. expert participated in the meeting held in the Romania took part in 2008 (1 participant) 2009 (2 Netherlands. Bulgaria is participating in the participants) 2010 (1 participant) 2011 (1 participant) and drafting of the Handbook on false documents 2012 (1 participant) 2012 of the FRONTEX agency. The number of participants will depends on the number of courses and nominations received by Frontex (Frontex makes out of the received nominations a fair distribution between the MS/SAC). Romania is also a member of the Frontex Document Specialist Board, which meets twice a year. During the meeting of the National training coordinators on 25 April 2012 Bulgaria will also express readiness to participate. Specific objectives: In accordance with the amended **European Border Guard Training** Romania is participating in this Project with 4 Frontex regulation, Frontex shall ensure that all border nominated trainers. Romania also participated guards and other personnel participating in Frontex in Rabit training project since the beginning in Coordinated Joint Operations have received relevant 2007 with one trainer who delivered 11 training in international law, including fundamental rights trainings. Romania is willing to host future and international protection. EBGT Trainings as a Frontex Partnership Academy. The members of the national pool of EBG (191 selected experts) participate to the training sessions organised by the Frontex Training Unit: initial trainings, working groups, RABIT

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courses, Mid-Level courses, courses under INTELLOPS programme, EBGT courses.

During 10-14.09.2012, a Romanian expert was trainer in the initial training session of the EBGT members in Bologna/Italy.

2 Romanian trainers attented the instructors working group under INTELLOPS project (04 – 05.09.2012).

Working session for the implementation of common university programmes at European level for border guards (JDSP – Joint Degree Study Programme), organised at Iasi Training School for Agents, Romania (18 participants). Conference on the exchange of information under Frontex activities (19-20.09.2012), attended by 2 Romanian representatives.

The profiles of the Bulgarian members of the European Border Guard Training were approved at the meeting of the Frontex Management Board (23 May 2012).

5 (five) Bulgarian border police officers passed a course on training of officers deployed within JO Focal points – land/sea borders.

The nominations of 2 (two) trainers of European Border Guard officers are already sent.

Bulgaria is participating in the elaboration of Training tools for border police officers as follows:

- Training tool in English language for officers working at the airports;
- Training tool on Communication between the crews of the air- and marine crafts

In the period July-October 2012 Bulgarian

police officers took part in the following trainings of Frontex Agency: - Six officers in the initial training for European Border Guard members: - Two officers in training in conducting interviews at the second border line check: - One officer in course on training of debriefing experts; - Two officers in training on "Surviving in the sea of air crafts crew"; - One officer in training on "Surviving in mountains of air crafts crew"; - Three officers in training in Schengen evaluators: - One officer in course on border police officers of medium management level (Mid Level Curriculum) In the period 5 - 9 November 2012 Bulgaria is going to conduct a national call for additional officers to be included in the national European Border Guard Training pool. There are 114 candidates. Frontex Partnership Academies Network Frontex Partnership Academies planned to act as Till the end of September 2012, Romania hosted 4 training sessions under the supporters, build the 2nd step in system cooperation (with coordination of Frontex Training Unit: FRONTEX' training coordinators as the first step). This system will, on one hand, enable Member States to share 22 - 28.01.2012 - Advanced training and to bring in their expertise in specific areas of border course on the use of night vision devices by guard training and to ensure the implementation as well as air teams - organised at the Police the development of common standards into MS' training. Academy in Bucharest; On the other hand, it will enable to carry out ad hoc 29.01 - 03.02.2012 -Working session for trainings when needed. the development of the curriculum for return operations – organised at the Border Police Training School for Agents in Oradea: 04 - 15.03.2012 - Working session for dog training development - organised at the

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Dog Centre in Sibiu;

25 – 30.03.2012 – Working group for SQF development - organised at the Police Academy in Bucharest.

On 31.05.2012, the Framework Partnership Agreement on Training between the Ministry of Administration and Interior and Frontex was renewed.

During 04 – 15.06.2012, as Frontex Partner Academy, the Romanian Border Police hosted the second mobility exercise of teachers in the framework of CCC operationalisation in BCP Moravita and at Border Police Training School for Agents in Oradea.

Also, during 23-28.06.2012, at the level of RBP Initial and Continuous Training School in Iasi, a new stage of the first Mid-Level course organised by the Frontex Training Unit took place. It was attended by 16 representatives of MS and 5 Frontex trainers.

From 4.6. – 6.7. 2012 a Romanian representative, member of the EBGT national pool of experts, attended the first course organised in 2012 with the support of FRONTEX Partner Academies from DE, Es, AT, RO, NL.

From 09 - 20.07.2012, 23.07 - 03.08.2012 and 03. – 14.09.2012 as Frontex Partner Academy, the Romanian Border Police hosted the 5th, 8th and 10th mobility exercise for teachers in the framework of CCC operationalisation in BCP Moravita and at Border Police Training School for Agents in Oradea.

The fine tuning of the Dog Handlers related training tools was hosted by the Romanian Border Police Canine training Center in Sibiu

from 05. – 08.09.2012.
During 2328.09.2012 Partnership Academy
Romania hosted a meeting dedicated to the
development of an English language training
tool for officers deployed at Air borders.
One meeting for the development of the Joint
Degree Study programme was hosted by the
Training Centre in Iasi from 24. – 28.09. 2012.
PA Romania hosted at the Academy in
Bucharest the meeting for the development of
a training tool on the Schengen Borders Code,
dedicated to facilitate the implementation of
the CCC.

EUROSUR

The idea of EUROSUR is to establish an and cooperation information sharing mechanism enabling Member State authorities carrying out border surveillance activities and Frontex to collaborate at tactical, operational and strategic levels. **EUROSUR** will provide Member States operational and technical with an framework that increases their situational awareness and improves the reaction capability of national authorities controlling the external borders of the EU Member States. EUROSUR should also facilitate cooperation between national law enforcement authorities inside and between Member States (border guards, police, customs, coast guards etc.) for internal security purposes.

A national coordination centre (NCC) is to be set up by each Member State participating in EUROSUR, coordinating 24/7 the activities of all national authorities carrying out external border surveillance tasks and exchanging information with other national coordination centres and Frontex.

Romanian and Bulgarian representatives regularly participate to the EUROSUR Network meetings, aiming at enhancing the operational and technical implementation and further development of the system.

On 23 May 2012, the Memorandum for the extension of the EUROSUR Pilot Project Network to Romania was signed.

On 10.7.2012 the node pre-installation visit of FRONTEX and GMV representatives took place.

The installation of EUROSUR in the new Headquarters of the Romanian Border Police was completed on 30 September 2012 and the Romanian node is now fully connected to the Network

Romania uses the EUROSUR application and is connected to the dedicated network. The equipment was installed in the new premises of the Romanian Border Police and the necessary inter-connections and tests were made. Also, a specific training with the responsible personnel for the technical and operational aspects was delivered after the installation of the equipment.

Training sessions took place in Warsaw during 4 - 5 September and 2 - 3 October.

Bulgaria signed the Memorandum of understanding for the extension of the EUROSUR Pilot Project Network with Frontex Agency in April 2012. On 16-17 July 2012 the EUROSUR node was installed in the Bulgarian National Coordination Center within the Border Police and the connection with the EUROSUR network was established. Bulgarian users of the system have been trained. Since then, Bulgaria has been one of the top contributors in sharing event information with other EUROSUR nodes. **RISK ANALYSIS** Regular risk analysis activities: information Ongoing exercise; consists of monthly and bi-monthly Romania and Bulgaria provide monthly provision of quantitative and qualitative data as well as statistical data via Iconet. Once every 2 exchange and knowledge sharing activities within the Frontex Risk Analysis Network, participation in network meetings. The analytical findings months, an analysis report on illegal and two regional Risk Analysis Networks are presented in quarterly reports (each network has its own migration is also transmitted to Frontex by (Western Balkans and Eastern Borders) quarterly report). them Every trimester the FRAN meeting is attended by a representative of the Risk Analysis Service of the Romanian Border Police and Bulgarian National Police Directorate. The main analytical reports: Annual Risk Analysis 2012, Western Balkan Annual Risk Analysis 2012, Eastern Borders Regional Overview 2012, quarterly FRAN reports providing overall picture regarding the illegal migration at the EU external borders were distributed to Romanian and Bulgarian responsible authorities. Bulgaria is regularly participating in the Frontex Risk Analysis Network (FRAN),

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		EB-FRAN and WB-FRAN meetings.
		Monthly statistic data and two months
		analytic reports on the situation at the
		external borders are regularly sent.
		Bulgaria is regularly receiving the quarterly
		Frontex reports providing information on the
		overall picture regarding the illegal migration
		at the EU external borders, the countries of
		origin and transit.
Regular risk analysis activities: Information	Ongoing exercise; consists of monthly provision of detailed	The EU Document Fraud Annual Risk
exchange activities within European Union	quantitative data on detections of document fraud at the	Analysis 2012 was distributed to the
Document Fraud Project.	external borders. The analytical findings are presented in	Romanian and Bulgarian responsible
	annual report, released in April. The situation is monitored	authorities.
	on quarterly basis.	Both Romania and Bulgaria participate in the
		EU Document Fraud network (EUDF-RAN)
		regularly send monthly statistical data,(BG:
		two-months report for the period May – June
		2012 is being drafted and will be submitted
		as soon as possible) and took part in the two
		network development meetings in 2012.
Tailored risk analysis activities.	Will include tailored risk analysis products on high risk	Tailored risk analyses are being drawn up by
	illegal migration countries	Frontex Risk Analysis Unit when a migration
		phenomenon appears. To date in 2012 no
		specific report concerning Romania or
		Bulgaria was prepared.
		Bulgaria is working on the translation of key
		analytic terms in order to prepare for the
		forthcoming participation in the translation
		working group related to Frontex project on
		circulation of CIRAM and its working rules.

Regular risk analysis activities: Frontex has planned to continue its efforts to implement regular data collection activities regarding profiles of victims in trafficking of human beings (THB) to support Frontex THB coordinated operational activities.	Bulgaria and Romania participate in the THB Expert network advising and supporting Frontex on the delivery of EU risk profiles for victims of THB to be used by border guards to identify victims of THB during border control procedures.	Both Romania and Bulgaria participated in the activities for elaboration of the <i>Handbook on Risk Profiles on Trafficking in Human Beings 2012</i> . The Handbook was distributed to relevant Romanian and Bulgarian authoritiesto be used in first and second line border checks.
Regular risk analysis activities: PULSAR Weekly Monitoring	Provision of regular analytical briefings on trends concerning refusals, illegal border crossing asylum seekers and false documents at EU airports.	Romania Bucharest –Otopeni (OTP) airport reports regularly in Pulsar. Timisoara (TSR) airport only rarely provides reports.
	Bulgaria was providing data on their airports within the Weekly Analytical Briefings from Frontex but has temporary stopped sending them due to technical reasons. Since the beginning of April 2012, Bulgaria provides data on Sofia airport within the Weekly Analytical Briefings under the Pulsar Programme. Romania provides data regularly on Otopeni airport and receives Analytical Briefings from Frontex.	Bulgaria Since April 2012 Sofia (SOF) airport regularly provides weekly analytical briefings in PULSAR
Support to organising training for debriefing experts in Bulgaria	 Frontex (Training Unit and Risk Analysis Unit) will provide support to the preparation of a five days training for Bulgarian debriefing experts by providing: Training reference material; Identification of trainers from MS who will deliver the training; Support to the preparation of the training schedule. Frontex Debriefing Advisor contribution 	Following the arrangements with Bulgarian relevant authorities, the training will be held in the period 14 – 19 October 2012 in Svilengrad with the participation of trainers form Austria, Germany and FRONTEX.

Common Integrated Risk Analysis Model	Frontex prepares an awareness package to disseminate the	Following the distribution of the updated
(CIRAM) comprehensive update – roll-out	updated CIRAM package as good practice for analysis	CIRAM in 2011 (including to relevant
	model, tools, and structures.	Romanian and Bulgarian authorities), the
		awareness package is prepared with Member
		States contributions. The first workshops to
		prepare the awareness package will take
		place 16-18 November, with the confirmed
		participation and contributions of Bulgaria
		and Romania.
Tailored Risk Analysis (TRA) on the Impact	The TRA has been elaborated at the end of 2011, in	
of Visa Liberalisation for the nationals of	collaboration with the task force composed of selected	
Ukraine and Moldova	Member States, including Romania. In 2012, the wrap up	
	meeting of the taskforce is planned in	
	November/December.	
	OTHER ACTIVITIES	
Staff Exchange Project (element of the PP Reporting Tools)	1 Bulgarian expert was deployed for 1 week in Piraeus, Greece.	
	1 Romanian expert was deployed for 1 week in Piraeus, Greece.	
Joint Return Operations (JROs)	Romania participated in three operations in 2012 (until 11.10.2012) in Joint Return Operations as follows: • 2012/ROS/16 - JRO to KOSOVO, 26 APRIL 2012 (Organising MS: DE)	
Joint Return Operations (JROS)		
	• 2011/ROS/49 - JRO to NIGERIA, 23 MAY 2012 (Organising MS: AT)	
	• 2012/ROS/25 - JRO to GEORGIA & ARMENIA, 13 JUNE 2012 (Organising MS: AT)	
	Bulgaria participated in one operation in 2012 (until 11.10.2012) in Joint Return Operations as follows:	
	• 2012/ROS/07 - JRO to GEORGIA & ARMENIA, 17 January 2012 (AT)	
