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Subject: RE: "**MOS MAIORUM**" / Demande d'informations

Chère Silvie

Voici quelques commentaires sur le Mos Maiorum, en anglais. C'est une opération du conseil et il faudra plutôt poser la question au conseil, ou á la présidence. L'initiative n'est pas prise par la commission et il n'y a aucun financement de la commission..

Quelques éléments donc :

1. Since the Italian Ministry of Interior is in charge, the starting date should be confirmed with them. The dates mentioned in the document made public by Statewatch have been taken out of the official version of the Council document, since publication of this information might affect the operation.
2. Europol is not participating in the operation. Frontex is participating in a strictly limited way, as explained by the Frontex Executive Director Gil Arias Fernandez in a statement he has made: "Following a number of media queries, Frontex would like to explain the scope of its participation in Mos Maiorum operation. Mos Maiorum is a Joint Police Operation launched by the Italian Presidency of the Council of the European Union. The coordinating authority is the Italian Ministry of Interior. Frontex would like to stress that it has not had any role either in the planning or in implementation of this operation. The agency was invited by the Italian Presidency to provide support to the operation in the area of risk analysis. This means that the agency will only provide the Italian Presidency with statistics and data analysis of the migratory flows at external borders of the European Union. Publically available information on Mos Maiorum shows that the latter is not a border control operation. Its goals and way of execution is of 'intra-Schengen' and 'police cooperation' nature, which are not within the mandate of Frontex."
3. For details on this, I have to ask you to address your questions to the Council, since this is an operation carried out by the Member States and the Council. The publicly available version of the description of the operation is available here:
<http://register.consilium.europa.eu/doc/srv?!=EN&f=ST%2011671%202014%20INIT>,
and I can refer you to the existing guidelines for bilateral or multilateral joint operations:
<http://register.consilium.europa.eu/doc/srv?!=EN&f=ST%2016825%202010%20INIT>.
4. For details on this, I again have to ask you to address your questions to the Council, since they concern operations carried out by the Member States and the Council. As for the follow-up given to such operations by the Commission, I can inform you that we have mentioned the outcome of such operations in our biannual Schengen reports.

Bien à toi

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