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OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From: General Secretariat of the Council
On: 13 January 2014
To: Terrorism Working Party
Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as set out in doc. CM 5743/13.

2. Information by the Presidency

The Presidency outlined the TWP programme focussing on the draft revised EU strategy for combating radicalisation and recruitment to terrorism which would be submitted to delegations end of January with a view to finalising it by the joint TWP/COTER meeting on 14 May, the issue of terrorism and border security to be dealt with in the light of discussions at the informal JHA ministerial meeting in Athens, and the drafting of Council Conclusions on terrorism and Western Balkans to be presented to the Council in June.

3. Incidents of significant interest - Information from Member States

Certain Member States informed about incidents in their countries since the last meeting.

4. IntCen Work Programme (EU CONFIDENTIAL)

Delegations took note of the classified presentation made by the representative of IntCen.

5. Counter Radicalisation work

– COM update on upcoming communication

The Commission briefed about its Communication on preventing radicalisation to terrorism and violent extremism, expected to be published on 15 January. The COM representative explained that the Communication was built on dialogue with a number of concerned counter-terrorism parties and was geared around 10 practical responses.

– Presentation by IntCen (EU CONFIDENTIAL)

Delegations discussed briefly the classified information given by the representative of IntCen.

– Presentation by Spain

Delegations took note of the conceptual and technical details of the recently developed horizon scanning methodology to monitor radicalisation in Spain.

6. Foreign Fighters – Latest developments

– Workstream on Foreign Fighters

• Presentation by France

FR informed about a significant increase of Art. 36 (2)-(3) alerts in SIS II exchange due to the improved tool and the specific awareness campaign.

• Presentation by UK

Delegations discussed the counter narrative communication strategy applied in the UK with regard to the Syrian theatre.

– Presentation by INTERPOL

INTERPOL informed about its analytical and operational approach to the issue of travelling foreign fighters, in particular with regard to Syria. Delegations discussed briefly the consequences of the suggestion to increase the insertion of Blue Notices into the Interpol Notice System.

7. Anarchist Terrorism

Delegations welcomed that the presentations from Hellas, Italy, Spain, UK and Chile made them aware of currently emerging forms of anarchist terrorism at national level and their international links. The discussion showed that MS were challenged at different degrees by the problem but concluded that it was worthwhile to pursue the dialogue on the topic with special regard to terrorist fund raising, profiling of suspects and public awareness campaigns. The Commission in particular suggested to further analyse the exposure of the EU itself to anarchist terrorism in order to pave the way for possible EU reactions.

8. Information on Counter-terrorism activities

- Delegations took note of the report on the recent CTC visits to both Iraq and Montenegro.
- The Commission informed about the upcoming conference in The Hague on 31 January between RAN specialists and 20 local authorities dealing with the exchange of good practices as well as about a Communication on the CBRN policy expected to be adopted end of March.
- The EEAS set out the priorities of this semester with a special focus on the review of the UN global CT strategy.

9. AOB

No issue was raised under this point.
