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#### **OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS**

of:	Law Enforcement Working Party (Mixed Committee EU/Iceland, Norway, Switzerland and Liechtenstein)
on:	11 January 2011
Subject:	Summary of discussions

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKING PARTY - MIXED COMMITTEE

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda as set out in doc. CM 6220/1/10 REV 1.

#### 2. **Information from the Presidency**

The Presidency presented the working document containing the provisional dates of the LEWP and other related meetings of relevance to the Mixed Committee for the period from January to June 2011 and the contacts of the incoming Presidency's team.

# 3. Analysis of the possibilities for setting up a rapid information exchange mechanism on better registration of stolen objects for law enforcement purposes within the area of freedom, security and justice

The Presidency presented the analysis of the possibilities of setting up a rapid information exchange mechanism on better registration of stolen objects for law enforcement purposes as set out in doc. DS 1008/11. Delegations were asked to comment the suggested steps forward, and the Commission was invited to consider extending its EPRIS feasibility study to a detailed assessment of possible registration and rapid information exchange on stolen objects.

Delegations had a first exchange of views on the subject, underlining the need to take into account the existing databases and to coordinate efforts with Europol as well as to encourage the use of preventive measures. A representative of the Commission referred to the Information Management Strategy, and also explained that as EPRIS is related to persons, the feasibility study related to it could not be extended to objects.

The Presidency took note of the delegations' comments and invited them to provide further written suggestions by 31 January 2011.

#### 4. Any other business

No items were raised under AOB.

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT WORKING PARTY

#### 1. Adoption of the agenda

The meeting adopted the agenda set out in doc. CM 6220/1/10 REV 1 with the addition of information points by the PL delegation and the Commission under item AOB.

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#### 2. Information from the Presidency

### 2.1 Introduction of operations, conferences and seminars to be organised under the HU Presidency

The Presidency presented the invitation to the Member States to join operations organised under the HU Presidency (doc. DS 1925/10). In order to facilitate the preparation of these operations and other events, delegations were invited to provide contributions to various questionnaires distributed to them on counterfeit medicines, crime prevention in schools, firearms, ENFAST, Liaison Officers' Management Services and vehicle crime.

#### 2.2 State of play of AUGIAS Project

The Presidency announced that an expert seminar would be held in Budapest on 24-25 March 2011 in order to conclude the AUGIAS Project focusing on illegal waste transport. Delegations were invited to indicate their wish to participate in this seminar by 25 February 2011.

#### 2.3 State of play and way forward of ENLETS

The Presidency presented a working document with the suggested way forward of ENLETS (doc. DS 1005/11). On the basis of this document delegations were invited to notify their current law enforcement technological needs and to provide updated information on their National Contact Points by 25 March 2011.

# 2.4 State of play of Joint Police Operations (JPOs) under the auspices of the LEWP (proposals for JPOs) and the Coordination Mechanism for joint operations

The Presidency invited the delegations that have not yet provided information regarding their planned JPOs for 2011 to send their input to <a href="lewp@bm.gov.hu">lewp@bm.gov.hu</a> as soon as possible in view of the Coordination Mechanism meeting to be held on 16 February 2011. One delegation underlined the need to ensure the confidentiality of such operational data.

#### 3. Presentation by Europol on the security of European payments

A representative of Europol made a presentation on the security of European payments focusing in particular on euro counterfeiting and payment card fraud, and explained the role and activities of Europol in these areas.

#### 4. Presentation of the proposal regarding the use of police dogs in Europe

The Presidency presented its proposals regarding the use of police dogs in Europe (doc. DS 1022/11) and explained that draft Council Conclusions on this matter would be shortly presented to the LEWP in order to encourage and facilitate the use of police dogs in cross-border operations and to make them easier accessible.

Delegations had a first exchange of views on the subject and were invited by the Presidency to provide further written suggestions by 24 January 2011.

### 5. Counterfeit medicines: presentation by the Pharmaceutical Security Institute

A representative of the Pharmaceutical Security Institute (PSI) presented the activities of PSI in the fight against counterfeit medicines underlining the growing number of incidents in this field. The operation PANGEA III coordinated by Interpol focusing on websites supplying illegal and dangerous medicines was also mentioned. A representative of Europol informed the meeting about Europol's AWF COPY covering counterfeit medicines and its other related activities.

The Presidency announced that draft Council Conclusions on the subject of counterfeit medicines would be shortly presented to the LEWP, and a seminar on this matter would be organised in Budapest on 3-4 March 2011.

### 6. Discussion on cooperation in the form of EMPON - European medical and psychological officers network for law enforcement

The Presidency introduced its proposals regarding the creation of EMPON - European medical and psychological officers network for law enforcement (doc. DS 1009/11). The aim of this initiative is to exchange experience, develop practical cooperation, organise common trainings and share technical terminology between law enforcement medical and psychological officers.

Some delegations welcomed the proposals in general while noting that their national law enforcement structures differ and do not necessarily include medical services or are competent in all areas mentioned in the document.

The Presidency took note of the delegations' comments and invited them to provide further written suggestions by 31 January 2011.

#### 7. Interpol-related issues

- Tangible added value of the cooperation between the EU and Interpol - presentation by Interpol

Interpol's Special Representative to the EU gave a presentation of various areas of cooperation between the EU and Interpol, namely the exchange of information, border management, specific global crime areas, police training and capacity building, terrorism and crisis management. The need to create synergies between the EU and Interpol and to avoid duplication was underlined.

- Enhancement of policing capacity with nationwide automated access to Interpol Databases - presentation of the Slovenian solution

The SI delegation presented the integrated solution of nationwide automated access to international databases ensuring the possibility for field officers to directly check Interpol's databases.

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# 8. Presentation by Europol and CEPOL on the further development of complementary services to strengthen Knowledge Management capabilities

In order to complete the presentation on the activities of Europol and CEPOL in the field of knowledge management given at the previous LEWP meeting, representatives of Europol and CEPOL outlined the activities of CEPOL in this field, including police knowledge online bases and e-learning modules, as well as various initiatives ensuring the complementarity of actions taken by Europol and CEPOL.

### 9. Any other business

#### - Information by the PL delegation on two questionnaires

The PL delegation informed the meeting that in view of the forthcoming PL Presidency two questionnaires on cooperation with third countries in the field of security of sports events and on ATLAS cooperation would be distributed to delegations by the end of January 2011.

### - Information by the Commission on the vehicles' Effective Parts Marking (EPM)

Following the exchange at the previous LEWP meeting on the feasibility study on EPM, a representative of the Commission explained that the Commission intends to take a decision on the possibility to carry out such a study in 2011.

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The working document containing the provisional dates of the LEWP and other related meetings for the period from January to June 2011 and the contacts of the incoming Presidency's team was made available in the meeting room.

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