

JUSTIFICATION 8



To:



**Second Africa-Frontex Intelligence Community (AFIC) Workshop
Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (Spain), 23- 25 May 2017**



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Please quote when replying.

Warsaw, 5 April 2017

Dear Mr [REDACTED]

The second Africa-Frontex Intelligence Community (AFIC) expert workshop of 2017 takes place from 23 to 25 May in Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Spain.

We would be delighted if you could nominate an expert from your mission to participate in the workshop and contribute to our joint analytical activities within the AFIC.

The objective of this workshop is to continue our discussions on the topics the community is engaged with: smuggling of people and irregular migration, cross-border crime and cross-border security threats, including terrorism. Additionally, the third day of our meeting will be devoted to operational exchanges and analyses, based on ongoing selected cases of interest. A more detailed draft agenda, a proposal for contribution by the expert from the mission and preparatory notes for discussions will be sent prior to the meeting.

We kindly advise that the workshop is attended by those experts that were already present during our the previous AFIC workshop in 2017 (in Niger). Likewise, we strongly encourage the nominated expert to take an active role by supporting our African partner from Mali and provide their unique experience and relevant insight that will enrich the quality and operational value of discussions.

In respect to the AFIC participants, they are commonly part of intelligence or analytical unit(s) of the invited countries' border security and control authorities, from: Algeria, Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Chad, The Republic Democratic of Congo, The Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Egypt, Eritrea, Ethiopia, The Gambia, Ghana, The Republic of Guinea, Kenya, Liberia, Libya, Mali, Mauritania, Morocco, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Somalia, The Republic of Sudan, The Republic of South Sudan, Togo and Tunisia.

The working languages are English and French.

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We would be grateful if the representative of the mission could confirm his/her attendance and provide us his/her name and position by 5 May at the latest. The registration form should be sent to

Frontex has pre-booked rooms at In order to have the room guaranteed at the negotiated price, participant should confirm their booking to the hotel Reservation Department by 5 May 2017.

Should you have any question please do not hesitate to contact:

Yours faithfully.

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