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COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON TERRORISM (CODEXTER)

LIST OF ITEMS DISCUSSED AND DECISIONS TAKEN ABRIDGED REPORT

24th meeting

Strasbourg (France), 16 – 17 May 2013
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Opening at 9:30

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The Committee of Experts on Terrorism (CODEXTER), meeting in Strasbourg on 16 and 17 May 2013 under the Chairmanship of Mr Aaron BUGEJA (Malta) decided to:

1. Opening of the meeting

- Take note of the opening speech of Mr Jan KLEIJSSSEN, Director of Information Society and Action against Crime, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law.

2. Adoption of the draft agenda

- Adopt the agenda without amendments.

3. Approval of the report of the 23rd meeting

- Approve the report of the 23rd meeting.

4. Communication by the Secretariat and by the Chair

- Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat on issues of relevance for CODEXTER.
- Take note of the information provided by the Chair of the CODEXTER, Mr Aaron BUGEJA (Malta), on the outcomes of the discussions held during the last Bureau meeting.
- Appoint Mr Antonios PAPAMATTHAIYOU (Greece), as representative of the Committee in the Ad hoc Drafting Group on Transnational Organised Crime (PC-GR-COT) under the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC).

5. Future priorities for the work of CODEXTER

- Take note of document CODEXTER (2013) 3.
- Hold consultations, by written procedure, concerning the prioritisation of the future work of the Committee, by inviting Delegations to submit their contributions, listing, *inter alia*, the order of priority for proposed activities, to the Secretariat not later than 15 July 2013.
- Instruct the Secretariat to prepare a compilation of the contributions received from Delegations together with a brief synthesis of the result of the aforesaid consultations and submit this new document to the Bureau for examination at its 3rd meeting.
- Instruct the Bureau to examine and amend the new document prepared by the Secretariat after the consultations and submit it to the Plenary at the 25th meeting of CODEXTER.
- Examine and approve, as amended, the preliminary draft Terms of Reference for CODEXTER, 2014 – 2015, (cf. document CODEXTER (2013) 6 prov rev. 1) with a view to submitting it to the Committee of Ministers.
- Invite the Committee of Ministers to re-designate CODEXTER from an ad hoc committee to a steering committee with planning and steering functions.

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- 6. Information by States concerning the Council of Europe Conventions against terrorism**
 - Take note of the information that the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism (CETS No. 196) has entered into force for Luxembourg on 1 May 2013.

 - 7. Exchange of views on future CODEXTER activities pertinent to the monitoring of the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism [CETS No. 196]**
 - Take note of the information provided by the Chair of the Group of Parties, Mr Vladimir SALOV (the Russian Federation), on the outcomes of the 5th meeting of the Group of Parties (13 May 2013) and, in particular, on the developments related to the first evaluation round of the Convention devoted to the theme "Recruitment for terrorism", cf. Article 6 of the Convention.

 - 8. Presentation, analysis and discussion of judicial cases from member States in the counter-terrorism field**
 - Take note that the Delegations of Greece and Turkey intend to make presentations on relevant judicial cases at the occasion of the 25th meeting of CODEXTER.

 - 9. Setting up of a new database of the CODEXTER on the case law of the European Court of Human Rights relevant for counter-terrorism measures**
 - Take note of the presentation by Mr Ergin ERGÜL (Turkey) and Mr Zdzisław GALICKI (Poland) and the Secretariat of the new database of CODEXTER on the case law of the European Court of Human Rights relevant for counter-terrorism measures.
 - Hold an exchange on the modalities of the database.

 - 10. Exchange of views on national coordinating bodies in the field of the fight against terrorism**
 - Take note of the information provided by the Turkish Delegation concerning an "International Conference on Cooperation and Coordination in Counter-terrorism", which Turkey is co-organising with the Council of Europe to be held in Istanbul in the second or third week of October 2013.

 - 11. "Bringing terrorists to justice" Initiative**
 - Take note of the information provided by Mr Ivan KOEDJIKOV, Council of Europe Counter-terrorism coordinator and Secretary to the International Conference on the Use of Special Investigation Techniques to Combat Terrorism and other Forms of Serious Crime, on the outcome of the aforesaid conference.
 - Invite Delegations to make proposals in writing for follow-up activities, with a view to continue its discussions at the occasion of its next meeting.

12. Exchange of views on national experiences in drafting of effective legislation aimed at criminalising preparatory acts conducted by terrorists acting alone

- Take note of document CODEXTER (2012) 7 rev 2, notably the proposal of the Secretariat to elaborate a study on terrorists acting alone, self-radicalisation and the role of the Internet in this regard, to serve as a basis for more detailed considerations on possible future activities in this field by the Committee.
- Take note that Norway intends to make a presentation of its new legislation relevant for this agenda item.
- Continue its activities under this agenda item at its future meetings.

13. Possible areas of co-operation between the Council of Europe and the European Union

- Take note of the information provided by Mr Ivan KOEDJIKOV, Council of Europe Counter-terrorism coordinator, concerning the outcome of his visit to the COTER Working Party of the European Union on 25 April 2013.
- Continue its efforts to deepen cooperation with the European Union.
- Invite Delegations to present proposals in this regard in writing with a view to continue discussions at its next meeting.

14. Possible areas of co-operation with the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF)

- Take note of document CODEXTER (2013) 5 on possibilities for co-operation with GCTF.
- Hold a preliminary discussion on the issue of cooperation between the CODEXTER and the GCTF.
- Instruct the Secretariat to explore the possibilities of inviting representatives of the Co-Chairs of GCTF to attend the 25th meeting of CODEXTER with a view to discussing how to further improve cooperation, in particular with the two thematic working groups.

15. Co-operation with the United Nations

- Take note of document CODEXTER (2013) 5 on the co-operation of the Council of Europe with the United Nations in the field of terrorism.
- Take note of the presentation by Mr David SCHARIA, Senior Legal Officer and Coordinator (Legal and Criminal Justice Group, CTED) on the New Detailed Implementation Survey (DIS) adopted by the United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee.

16. Country profiles on counter-terrorism capacity and information on measures taken at national level against terrorism

- Consider the updated country profiles on counter-terrorism capacity as submitted by the Delegations of Spain and Turkey respectively and authorise their publication on the website of CODEXTER.
- Take note that the Delegation of Georgia has suspended the submission of its country profile while awaiting legal advice from the Secretariat with regard to certain aspects of that country profile.
- Take note that the Delegation of Montenegro intends to submit its country profile, and that the Delegations of Azerbaijan, Belgium, Bulgaria and France intend to submit updates to their country profiles, for presentation and authorisation for publication by CODEXTER at its next meeting.

17. Information on other relevant activities of the Council of Europe and work carried out in other international fora

- Take note of the following oral presentations:
 - o Update on recent activities of the OSCE ODIHR by Ms Lucile SENGLER, Adviser on Anti-terrorism Issues, Human Rights Department, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights.
 - o Update on the recent activities of the United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime (UNODC), by Ms Marta REQUENA, Chief, Terrorism Prevention Branch, Division of Treaty Affairs, UNODC.
 - o Update on the recent activities of GUAM by Mr Oleg KLYCHENKO, Program Coordinator on Political and Legal Issues, GUAM Secretariat.

18. Decisions of the Committee of Ministers concerning the CODEXTER and terrorism-related issues

- Take note of the decisions of the Committee of Ministers concerning the CODEXTER and terrorism-related issues (cf. document CODEXTER (2013) 2).

19. Information by the Gender Equality Rapporteur of CODEXTER

- Take note of the information provided by its Gender Equality Rapporteur, Ms Tanja KIKEREKOVA ("the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"), and in particular that Delegations are invited to submit information on the following topics for discussion at the occasion of the 25th meeting of CODEXTER:
 - o The composition (in percentage in respect of gender) of staff in national coordinating bodies in the area of the fight against terrorism and official position of the persons employed in the institutions which they represent with an indication relating to the rank, and
 - o The percentage of female perpetrators and victims of terrorism (in comparison to male perpetrators and victims) in recent cases under the jurisdictions of member States.
- Invite member States to include gender equality-related information in future updates of country profiles.

20. Elections to the Bureau

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- Elect from among its Members Ms Yuliia LAPUTINA (Ukraine), Mr Nicola PIACENTE (Italy) and Mr Mats BENESTAD (Norway) as Members of the Bureau of the Committee.

21. Date and place of the 25th meeting of the CODEXTER

- Hold the 25th meeting of CODEXTER in Istanbul in the second or third week of October 2013 in connection with the “International Conference on Cooperation and Coordination in Counter-terrorism” to be hosted by Turkey (the precise date and place to be confirmed).

22. Adoption of the list of items discussed and decisions taken

- Examine and adopt the list of items discussed and decisions taken.