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GROUP OF PARTIES TO THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE CONVENTION ON THE PREVENTION OF TERRORISM [CETS NO. 196]

LIST OF ITEMS DISCUSSED AND DECISIONS TAKEN

11th MEETING

Strasbourg (France), 15 November 2016

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The Group of Parties to the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism [CETS No. 196], meeting in Strasbourg on 15 November 2016 under the Chairmanship of Mr Tobias KAPPELMANN, (Germany), has decided to:

1. Opening of the meeting

- Take note of the opening remarks of the Chair.

2. Adoption of the agenda

- Adopt the agenda.
- 3. Information on the state of signatures and ratifications of the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism [CETS No. 196] and its Additional Protocol [CETS No. 217]
 - Take note of the information provided by the Secretariat on signatures and ratifications since the last meeting (18 May 2016), notably that since the last meeting Armenia has ratified the Convention on 30 August 2016 (entry into force on 1 December 2016). Liechtenstein signed the Convention on 18 May 2016, and the Convention entered into force for Monaco on 1 August 2016 (following ratification on 25 April 2016). As regards the Additional Protocol, it was ratified by Albania on 6 July 2016, by Denmark on 3 November 2016, and by Monaco on 4 October 2016. Moreover, it has been signed by Finland on 18 May 2016 and by Slovakia on 14 September 2016. Finally, the Czech Republic today signs both the Convention and the Additional Protocol;
 - call on all Member States, which have not yet done so, to sign the Convention and its Additional Protocol;
 - call on all signatories, which have not yet done so to ratify the Convention and its Additional Protocol as soon as possible.
- 4. Examination of the preliminary draft Thematic assessment report on the implementation of Article 1 "Terminology" of the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism [CETS no. 196]
 - Examine and adopt the Thematic assessment report;
 - Instruct the Secretariat to prepare the Summary of the Thematic assessment report and submit it to the CODEXTER for information.

5. Change of format from Group of Parties to Consultation of the Parties

- Take note of the information on the proposed change of format as contained in the document GOP (2016) 10 and the additional information provided orally by the Secretariat;
- Formally abolish the Group of Parties and henceforth convene in the format of the Consultation of the Parties, cf. Article 30 of the Convention. The next meeting of the Consultation of the Parties will take place in connection with the 32nd Plenary Meeting of the CODEXTER (Spring 2017). The final date will depend on the decision of the CODEXTER.

6. Any other business

- Take note that no points were raised under this Agenda item.

7. Adoption of the List of Items Discussed and Decisions Taken

- Adopt the List of Items Discussed and Decisions Taken.