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## **I. Draft annotated Agenda**

### **1. EU Priorities in the Non-Proliferation, Disarmament and Arms Control Field in 2013 - Work Programme CONOP, CODUN, COARM for 2013**

*Directors will have a strategic discussion on EU priorities in the field, based on an outline by the EEAS of the draft Work Programme and priorities for 2013, including in the conventional field (COARM, CODUN, CONOP) and an assessment of achievements in 2012. MS will be asked to provide input and comments to the Work programmes, with a view to a final version to be examined in the Working Groups in early 2013.*

#### Background Documents:

- Draft outline Work Programme and priorities (to be circulated during the meeting)
- Draft half annual report on the implementation of the WMD strategy

### **2. 2<sup>nd</sup> NPT PrepCom 2013 (EU initiatives and priorities) including WMDFZ in the Middle East**

*Directors will be asked to provide guidance on how the EU can best contribute to the Second NPT PrepCom meeting (22 April to 3 May 2013) in Vienna, including for possible Council Conclusions in the run-up to the PrepCom. They will be invited to discuss the implementation of the Action Plan agreed upon during the 2010 NPT RevCon, priorities for further EU action, and assess the situation and possible role and activities by the EU in support of the process towards a WMDFZ in the Middle East, in view of latest developments.*

#### Background Documents:

- Council Decision CFSP/212/2010 of 29 March 2010,
- NPT Final document (NPT/CONF.2011/50)
- NPT WP. 45 and 46 of 30 April 2012
- CONOP/MD/38/11 Rev 3 of 6 November 2012
- Statement by the spokesperson of the EU High Representative of 24/11/2012 (A539/12)

### **3. Arms Trade Treaty: preparation for the final UN Conference on 18-28 March 2013**

*Directors will have a strategic discussion in preparation for the UN Conference on the ATT of March 2013. Discussion will focus on negotiating priorities for the EU, both in terms of*

*preservation of the draft Treaty text of 26 July 2012, and limited number of elements of the Treaty to be improved. Discussion will also cover the question of compatibility between the ATT and EU acquis and ways to ensure it, in the light of the expected Commission' recommendation for a Council Decision authorizing negotiations on aspects of the Treaty covered by EU competences. Finally, directors will have a strategic discussion on outreach to third countries to promote at appropriate level EU priorities ahead of the Conference.*

*Background Documents:*

- *Chair's draft ATT text of 26 July 2012*
- *Commission recommendation for a Council Decision authorizing negotiations of aspects of the ATT covered by EU acquis (to be distributed by COM in early December)*
- *UN GA First Committee draft resolution on the ATT convening the March 2013 Conference, as voted on 7 November 2012;*
- *EEAS report of the UN Conference on the ATT of July 2012 – cf. EAS/1193/12*

**4. Proliferation risks in and from Syria – follow-up to the informal meeting of the EU Security Policy Directors in Limassol**

*Directors will have an opportunity to further exchange views after the initial discussion held in Limassol on 24 October. Stemming from a shared and general expression of concern on the proliferation risks relating to Syria, the discussion could start with an exchange of views on different options for EU action related to neighbouring countries, such as border management and response and mitigation through IfS and move on to address the issue of what would become urgent "the day after" and how to cooperate in that respect with partners.*

**5. Code of Conduct for Outer Space- update on developments**

*Directors will be briefed by the EEAS and will have an opportunity to discuss the envisaged way ahead, ahead of the meeting of the like-minded states which will take place on 18 December.*

*Background Documents:*

- *Council Conclusions of 27 September 2010*
- *Council Decision 2012/281/CFSP of 29 May 2012*
- *Revised Draft International Code of Conduct for Outer Space Activities, 5 June 2012*
- *Revised proposal for the way-ahead – International Code of Conduct for Outer Space Activities (MD to be circulated)*

**6. Preparation for the EU27-US Dialogue on Verification and Compliance**

*Directors will prepare the afternoon meeting with the US side in substance, and will agree on the sequencing and distribution of roles for interventions.*

*Background Documents:*

- *Draft Agenda for the EU27-US Dialogue (COREU CFSP/to be issued).*

**7. Any other Business**

**II. Meeting venue**

The meeting will take place in the **Justus Lipsius** building of the General Secretariat of the Council, 175, Rue de la Loi, 1048 Brussels, on **Monday, December 17. It will start at 9h30** (morning only).

*NB: The meeting will be followed by a working lunch at 13h00 in the framework of the EU27-US Dialogue on Verification and Compliance in the EEAS Building.  
(COREU with the Agenda to be issued)*

Member States are invited to confirm the names of their representatives at the meeting via COREU by 11 December COB. Please note, that the number of participants is limited to one person per delegation during the lunch, and to two persons per delegation during the remaining part of the dialogue with the US.

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