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Deadline of the silence procedure for the operational conclusions: Wednesday 24 April 2013 CoB

1. Information exchange regarding export policies

(i) Exchange of views on export policies to DELETED (cf. DELETED) (0038/13 and DELETED) (040/13)

The Group exchanged views and updates regarding export policies DELETED.

(ii) Possible update on recent key developments of national export policies

Delegations exchanged preliminary information as to national follow-up to the adoption of the Arms Trade Treaty.

2. Review of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP

i) Application of reporting obligations under Common Position 2008/944/CFSP DELETED

The Group discussed the issue of reporting DELETED in the EU annual report on arms exports. Based on the findings provided by Member States answers in MD 27/13, the Group agreed to:

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The Group also discussed the issue of the upgrade DELETED. The EEAS will continue exploring the modalities of such upgrade based on the replies in MD 28/3 and will report to COARM. For this purpose, a small advisory group chaired by the EEAS and composed of relevant national experts will be set up.

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3. Contribution from the COHOM working party to the review on criterion 2

The Group received a presentation by COHOM on the draft COHOM position paper pursuant to action 11(e) of the Human Rights Action plan regarding human rights aspects of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP (cf. EAS/0386/13), including on aspects of cooperation between COARM and COHOM regarding criterion 2. The Group had an exchange of views and delegations were invited to provide further written comments by 26 April 2013 CoB, with a view to further discussion at the next COARM meeting which will also be based on selected EU human rights country strategies (references to be communicated).

4. Wassenaar Arrangement, General Working Group – Vienna, 22-24 May 2013

The Group discussed issues relating to the next WA GWG. The EEAS will circulate under a silence procedure the draft EU statement DELETED.

5. AOB

- The Group noted the publication of the revised EU common military list (Official Journal C 90, 27.3.2013 p. 1-37), and that certain linguistic versions are being corrected.
- The next meeting of COARM is scheduled for 29 May 2013. The COARM-Saferworld event is planned for 30 May 2013. The Group also noted that, following the adoption of the Arms Trade Treaty, the future scheduling of COARM and COARM ATT meetings would be reviewed.

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