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***Deadline of the silence procedure for the operational conclusions: Tuesday 5
February 2013 CoB***

1. COARM work programme for 2013

The Group agreed on the revised COARM work programme for 2013 as set out in COARM MD 01/13, subject to the following addition to section B) II.2 (p. 7): "*In case of a successful ATT, to begin EU coordination on issues related to implementation, implementation assistance to third countries, and post-Treaty work in the fora foreseen by the Treaty*".

The final version of the work programme will be circulated for information to delegations, with the understanding of its being a living document open to adjustments in view of developments.

2. Information exchange regarding export policies

The Group had an exchange views and updates regarding export policies **DELETED** (c.f. coreu **DELETED**/0175/12). It was preliminarily agreed that the group will address at its next meeting arms export policies **DELETED**.

3. Review of Common Position 2008/944/CFSP

The Group continued discussion on the application of criteria 7 and 8 and the improvement of the denial information exchange, on the basis of "interim guidelines" put forward by the EEAS (coreu EAS/0092/13). Delegations were invited to provide further comments in writing by 15 February 2013 CoB, on the basis of which the EEAS will draw up a revised text for final endorsement via silence procedure.

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The Group also noted the work of the Working Group on Human Rights (COHOM) relevant to criterion 2 and which could feed into the further work of COARM on the review. It is envisaged that the Chair of COHOM will address COARM on the work of COHOM, while COARM delegates were also invited to liaise with their COHOM colleagues on the matter.

4. Implementation of Council Decision on COARM outreach

The Group discussed the next steps in the implementation of Council Decision 2012/711/CFSP of 19 November 2012, on the basis of a concept note on the first year of implementation prepared by BAFA (MD 05/2013). Delegations were invited to provide their possible comments in writing, by 15 February 2013 CoB, in absence of which the approach set out in the document would be considered endorsed.

5. Update of the EU Common military list

Following discussion, the Group agreed on the draft updated EU Common military list as set out in MD 31/2012 REV 1 of 11 January 2013. The draft revised list will be translated into all the EU official languages, for verification by MS, and with a view its subsequent adoption by the Council. The Group also noted that further discussions on certain aspects of the listed items could be needed within the Wassenaar arrangement with a view to future updates (cf. coreu **DELETED**/004/13).

6. AOB

- The Danish delegation informed the Group on the planned work in the Wassenaar Arrangement, notably as regards membership issues.
- The next meeting of COARM ATT is scheduled for 21 February 2013 (all day) and COARM for 22 February 2013 (morning only).

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