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I. DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

- 1. Issues relating to the ratification of the ATT by EU Member States
- (i) Council decision authorising the ratification

The Group will address the state of play of the draft Council decision authorising the ratification in the wake of the request for consent of the European Parliament forwarded by the Council on 22 July 2013.

(ii) Issue of interpretative declaration when depositing instrument of ratification

The Group will address the issue of possible interpretative declarations based notably on the DELETED circulated under MD 43/2013 and on any other possible proposal from the Member States. Delegations will be invited to inform on their plans in this regard.

(iii) Issue of provisional application and interplay with Common Position 2008/944/CFSP

The Group will address the issue of provisional application of the ATT (art.23) and the positions of the delegations in this regard when depositing their instrument of ratification.

The Group will also revert to the closely related issue of the interplay between the ATT and Common Position 2008/944/CFSP based on the initial contributions DELETED (DELETED 114/113 and DELETED 1078/13) and the relevant operational conclusions of its last meeting (cf. SEC/0528/13, point.2) regarding the User's guide.

2. Outreach and assistance activities in support of the ATT process

(i) Council decision 2013/43/CFSP in support of the ATT process

The Group will discuss the draft 20-page publicly available report foreseen by Council decision 2013/43/CFSP (to be circulated as meeting document ahead of the meeting).

(ii) Other outreach and assistance activities

Delegations will be invited to exchange information on any other outreach and assistance activities they took part to or plan to participate in.

3. Possible new Council decision in support of the ATT implementation

The Group will discuss the first draft of the possible new Council Decision in support of the ATT implementation based on the EAS proposal drafted on the basis of MD 35/2013 and the ensuing comments and discussion at the last COARM/ATT meeting. Specific attention will have to be paid to the pending issues of the selection of the implementing agency and of possible co-financing.

4. UNGA-related issues

(i) High level ATT event in the 68th UNGA leaders' week

The Group will be updated on and discuss issues relevant to the high level ATT event scheduled on 25 September 2013 in the framework of the UNGA leaders week. It will address the possible participation of the EU in the event.

(ii) Possible resolution on the ATT in UNGA first committee

The Group will be updated on a possible resolution on the ATT in the UNGA first committee.

5. Contacts with third countries and other stakeholders

(i) information-sharing on recent consultations with third countries

Delegations will be invited to share information on recent consultations on ATT with third countries.

(ii) EU demarche in support of the ATT signature

The Group will be informed on the state of play of the EU demarche in support of the ATT signature (cf. EAS/1058/13).

(iii) Contacts relating to the hosting of the ATT Secretariat

Delegations will have the opportunity to inform on their contacts relating to the hosting of the ATT Secretariat and to further discuss the issue.

6. Wassenaar Arrangement and the ATT

The Group will have a preliminary discussion on how best the EU Member States' support to the ATT can develop in the framework of the WA. Member States will have the opportunity to inform whether the position of WA applicant countries vis-à-vis the ATT will possibly be taken into account in the assessment of their applications. The DELETED initiated discussion on WA membership issues will be also relevant to this agenda item.

7. A.O.B.

- Next meetings of the Group
- Next meeting of the EWG in Brussels in the framework of Council decision 2012/121/CFSP in support of activities to promote EU-China-Africa dialogue and cooperation on conventional arms controls.

II. TIME AND VENUE

The meeting of the Working Party will take place at the Council of the European Union, Justus Lipsius, 175 rue de la Loi, 1048-Brussels. <u>It will start at 10.00 am.</u>

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