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I. DRAFT ANNOTATED AGENDA

1. Commission Communication on firearms and the internal security of the EU: protecting citizens and disrupting illegal trafficking and update on Regulation 258/2012

A representative of DG HOME will brief COARM on the recently adopted Communication on "firearms and the internal security of the EU: protecting citizens and disrupting illegal trafficking" (COM(2013) 716) and will provide an update on Regulation 258/2012 applicable since 30 September 2013.

2. Council Decision 2012/711/CFSP on arms export control assistance and outreach

The Group will receive an update on the past and forthcoming activities carried out under Council Decision 2012/711/CFSP (cf. meeting document 33/2013).

3. Information exchange regarding export policies

(i) Export policies DELETED (cf. DELETED /0029/13)

The Group will exchange views and updates on export and transit policies DELETED based on the DELETED request outlined in DELETED /029/13.

With a view to informing the discussion in the Group, delegations are invited to circulate in writing, ahead of the meeting, information on their arms export and transit policies **DELETED** focusing on the assessment of the most relevant criteria and on licences granted in 2012 and 2013.

In preparing their oral and written contributions to the discussion under this agenda item, delegations are strongly encouraged to apply the dedicated guidelines on the information exchange on specific destinations as agreed by COARM (cf. EAS/0867/12).

(ii) Follow up to the exchange of views on export policies DELETED (cf. DELETED /0136/13)

The Group will revert to national export policies **DELETED** and the implementation of the August 2013 Council conclusions.

In line with the DELETED request, delegations will be invited to inform on any possible change in their initial implementation of the August 2013 Council conclusions and on licences that may have been granted since they last provided such information. Delegations that may have information to provide in this regard are encouraged to circulate written contribution and details of licences possibly granted in accordance with the operational conclusion of the September COARM meeting.

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

Delegations will have the opportunity to update the group about the state of play of their domestic export control policy reviews as well as on any possible suspension/revocation policies vis-à-vis specific destinations (cf. point 4 of the guidelines on the information exchange on specific destinations - EAS/0867/12).

4. Possible additional information-sharing on licences granted to specific destinations

Further to the EAS food for thought paper (cf.EAS/1329/13), the discussion in COARM meeting in November 2013 and contributions from Member States (DELETED /0135/13), the Group will revert to the issue of a possible additional information-sharing on licences granted to specific/post-embargoed destinations.

5. Preparation of the 15th EU annual report on arms exports

The Group will be informed on the adoption process of the 15th EU annual report on arms exports.

6. AOB

- Relex-tasked review of explosives in the EU internal repression list and ad hoc experts working group;
- Development of the COARM online system;
- annual CODUN CONOP COARM Directors meeting and the EU-28 Dialogue with the US
- Next meetings of the Group.

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 and will stop no later than 1.00pm.</u>

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