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From:	Finnish delegation
To:	Horizontal Working Party on Cyber issues
Subject:	Possible Council Conclusions on EU Coordinated response to large-scale Cybersecurity incidents and crises - Finnish comments

Delegations will find in Annex the above-mentioned comments.

Finnish comments on the possible Council Conclusions on EU Coordinated response to large-scale Cybersecurity incidents and crises

Finland would like to thank the Presidency for preparing the discussion paper on the possible the Council Conclusions on EU Coordinated response to large-scale Cybersecurity incidents and crises. We find it important that if the Council Conclusion are prepared, they would focus on describing the existing EU processes and mechanism and not redesign them. To respect the principle of rule of law, it is important that the roles and competences of the actors involved are based on the existing EU legislation and treaties. We are happy to see that these principles has been emphasized also in the discussion paper shared. One goal is to raise awareness of these issues.

We are considering whether it is appropriate to draw up the Council's conclusions shortly after the previous one or should the instrument be something else that the conclusion. However, we do not resist if it is seen as the right course of action.

NIS directive established a new cyber related co-operation mechanism between the member states. The new forms of co-operation have only recently started their activities and the deadline of the national implementation of the directive is just around the corner. That is why we should put our efforts into taking the most out of the work done under the directive. It is important to collect experiences how the co-operation will start to work in practice and how it should be developed in the future to ensure high level digital security in the whole of the EU.

Considering ENISAs role it would be important to keep in mind that the new proposal for ENISA mandate is still under negotiations.
