Dear John,

Please find attached a report on the meeting with EMERGENT & EUK Consulting on 2 December.

Thank you,
Audio meeting with EMERGENT & EUK Consulting
2 December 2019

Participants:
SANTE C3:
EMERGENT:
EUK Consulting:

Main points of discussion:

On the request of EUK, C3 had a short audio meeting on the following topics:

1. Joint Action to strengthen health preparedness and response to biological and chemical terror attacks

   - EUK Consulting noted that they had met the Norwegian counterpart involved in the Joint Action to strengthen health preparedness and response to biological and chemical terror attacks in Brussels for the EU Health Programme High level conference, end of September 2019.

   - EUK Consulting and Emergent have not reached out to Norway directly but would like to know if they can be of support for this initiative and what the current status quo of this Joint Action is.

   - C3 advised that the Joint Action is currently being developed by NO as the coordinators of the Joint Action and by the other countries which are nominated as work package leaders. EUK Consulting to reach out directly to Norway if they have an interest in exploring levels of involvement possible or not.

2. Stockpiling Study

   - EUK Consulting asked about the status of the stockpiling study which had been published for tender.

   - C3 advised that this will be republished, with some modifications, probably before the end of 2019.

3. Joint procurement Botulism Anti Toxin (BAT)

   - EUK Consulting asked about the status of the Joint Procurement for BAT.
• C3 advised that this is in discussion with Member States regarding technical specifications. There is no final date for this yet.

4. **DG ECHO rescEU Stockpiling**

• EUK Consulting asked about the status and development of DG ECHO’s rescEU framework for the purpose of stockpiling initiatives

• C3 advised that the mechanism could be useful for stockpiling of certain items but that this is first for the Member States to decide what they want to pursue or not. Moreover, this is a DG ECHO framework and therefore for further information on this, it is advised to reach out to ECHO directly.

5. **Fentanyl/Opioids**

• asked about the status of preparedness for fentanyl and opioids within Europe and if there was any need or preparations for appropriate medical countermeasures.

• C3 advised that there is an upcoming workshop on mass casualties from the deliberate release of opioids, scheduled for January 2020. This will consider, i.a., the level of health preparedness within Europe for such a scenario. It is currently a Member State meeting, via invitation only.