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Subject: Joint ad hoc meeting COTER and TWG and Financial attachés

Date: **5 December 2007 - 09.30 hrs**

Venue: COUNCIL
JUSTUS LIPSIUS BUILDING
Rue de la Loi 175, 1048 BRUSSELS

In December 2004 the European Council adopted the strategy on terrorist financing and tasked the CT Coordinator in cooperation with the Commission with ensuring the follow up of the strategy on a cross pillar basis and to report on a six monthly basis to Coreper. The most recent implementation report is found in document 11948/2/07 REV 2.

Several of the actions mentioned in this strategy have been fulfilled and a decision has to be prepared whether or not to draft a further follow-up strategy or a detailed plan of Action to implement the remaining items of the strategy.

The Presidency in close cooperation with the incoming Slovene Presidency and the CT Coordinator, would like to invite representatives of the three groups mentioned above for an informal ad hoc meeting on **5 December 2007** (the earlier announced date of 13 November 2007 is herewith cancelled) to exchange views with the member states on this topic.

The meeting will start with information on threats from SITCEN and EUROPOL, followed by a presentation of two member states on how the topic is dealt with in their country. (*Classified session*). Furthermore, a first exchange of views with the member states on possible options for a revision of the strategy or an implementation plan will be held.

A short note with options and a proposal how to deal with the topic in the period between now and the possible revised document will be issued before this meeting.

Given the size of the meeting room, it would be much appreciated if member states could **limit their delegations to three persons**: one representative of each group

Please also note that the presentation of SITCEN is classified *CONFIDENTIEL UE*. In accordance with the Council Decision adopting its Security Regulations (2001/264/EC) and the Council's Guidelines on security clearance of personnel (doc. 16012/1/04 REV 1) all delegates attending the meeting must be in possession of a valid national or EU security clearance to the appropriate level.

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All electronic equipment, including portable computers and mobile phones, should be switched off during the classified session. For session taking place in rooms so designated by the Security Office, delegates must leave all electronic equipment in the lockers that have been foreseen to that effect.

In addition, delegations are requested to forward before the meeting the names of their delegates participating in the discussion on this item to the Council Secretariat for the attention of Mrs Lena Dahl Svensson (lena.dahl@consilium.europa.eu) and Mrs Wilhelmina de Ruiter (wilhelmina.deruiter@consilium.europa.eu).

NB: To reduce costs, only documents produced in the week preceding the meeting will be available in the meeting room.