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From:	Presidency
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)
Subject:	Extension of the mandate of the ad hoc Working Party on preparedness, response capability and resilience to future crises until 31 December 2023 - Approval

1. On 13 December 2022, the Council (General Affairs) approved a Roadmap on strengthening crisis anticipation, preparedness and response in the Council ⁽¹⁾. The Roadmap comes in response to the Council conclusions of 23 November 2021 and takes a step-by-step approach to strengthening resilience and crisis management within the EU, while avoiding duplication and administrative burden, and without prejudging the outcome of subsequent discussions.

¹ ST 15476/22

2. In order to take forward the work on individual tasks set out in the Roadmap and their concrete implementation, as well as continuing to assist Coreper in the work on follow-up to the Council conclusions of November 2021, the Presidency, in agreement with the incoming Spanish Presidency, considers that the mandate of the existing ad hoc Working Party should be further extended.
3. Given that the current mandate of the ad hoc Working Party is due to expire on 30 June 2023, the Presidency therefore proposes, in accordance with Article 19(3) of the Council's Rules of Procedure, to extend the mandate of the ad hoc Working Party on preparedness, response capability and resilience to future crises for another 6 months until 31 December 2023.
4. This ad hoc working group will continue to carry out its tasks under the terms of reference as set out in the Annex.
5. In view of the above remarks, Coreper is invited to approve:
 - the extension of the mandate of the ad hoc Working Party until 31 December 2023;
 - the terms of reference in the Annex

Mandate**Ad Hoc Working Party on preparedness, response capability and resilience to future crises****Code**

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**Council
configuration**

This Ad Hoc Working Party operates under:

- ☒ General affairs
- ☐ Foreign affairs
- ☐ Economic and financial affairs²
- ☐ Justice and home affairs³
- ☐ Employment, social policy, health and consumer affairs
- ☐ Competitiveness (internal market, industry, research and space)⁴
- ☐ Transport, telecommunications and energy
- ☐ Agriculture and fisheries
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Education, youth, culture and sport⁵

**Sub-areas or
subgroups**

n/a

(if applicable)² Including budget³ Including civil protection⁴ Including tourism⁵ Including Audio-visual affairs

Policy areas	Under the authority of the Coreper ⁶ , this AHWP ensures the follow-up of the conclusions of the Council of 23 November 2021 on enhancing preparedness, response capability and resilience to future crises
Type of work	<p>The Working Party is in charge of the following:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Work on Union legal acts (i.e. legislative acts and other legal acts)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy preparation</p> <p>In particular, the AHWP is in charge of</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> legislative act(s):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other Union legal acts:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> external documents or instruments:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> policy document(s):</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: Council Conclusions</p>
Chairing arrangement	<p>The Working Party is chaired by:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the six-monthly Presidency</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a representative of the High Representative</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> other, namely:</p>
Observations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Date of establishment: 12 January 2022 (expired on 30 June 2022) - Duration of the mandate: until 31 December 2023 - Main links with other Working Parties: The AHWP draws on the expertise of delegates working in the relevant areas, as appropriate, and its activities shall be without prejudice to the work within other Council bodies.

⁶ In accordance with Article 240(1) TFEU and the Council's Rules of Procedure