C-WMD National Strategies Workshop – Premises & Interagency Cooperation

**Dates**
18-21 April 2016

**Venue**
RACVIAC, Rakitje, Stari hrast 53, 10437 Bestovje, Republic of Croatia

**Background**
This is the fourth event organised within the C-WMD Network in RACVIAC whose aim is to facilitate the development or refinement of Countering WMD national strategies and action plans. The C-WMD Network welcomes the support from EUCOM, the ICP (International Counterproliferation Programme) and the Republic of Croatia during planning and execution of this Proliferation Security Initiative (PSI) event. This 2016 workshop and PSI Table-Top Exercise is organized following the high degree of interest expressed by all national representatives during the Senior Leadership Forum held in September 2015, for a harmonized approach to counter the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

**Purpose**
The purpose of this workshop and table-top exercise is to further support the development of strategies and actions plans.

**Objectives**
The workshop and PSI TTX objectives are:
- To discuss in depth the premises of a national strategy in terms of goals and international requirements;
- To introduce the importance of interagency cooperation;
- To demonstrate alternative models of interagency cooperation;
- To peer review existing national forms of interagency cooperation and discuss the key stakeholders’ role in the process;
- To deepen contacts among representatives of national organisations and agencies engaged in the accomplishment of counterproliferation and of response to WMD.

**Participants**
Approximately 55 participants, namely five from each of the following countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Kosovo*, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia1, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Turkey and Ukraine. **This TTX will be of particular interest to previously designated members of national working/drafting teams.**

**Methodology**
The duration of the TTX is 3 days. It will comprise presentations, discussions and exercises, and it will provide an appropriate setting and atmosphere to encourage focused discussions. The working language will be English (STANAG 3232).

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* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence. (In accordance with Arrangements regarding regional representation and cooperation).

1 The Republic of Turkey recognizes the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name.