C-WMD National Strategies – Border Security: Emerging Threats and Challenges

Dates 19 – 23 September 2016

Venue RACVIAC, Rakitije, Stari hrast 53, 10437 Bestovje, Croatia

Background Based on the agreed Roadmap for the development of national strategies to counter the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, building upon previous meetings and in light of new challenges concerning border security, the C-WMD Network in RACVIAC is organising the fifth meeting of the national working/drafting groups in September 2016.

The C-WMD Network welcomes the continuous support from U.S. European Command (USEUCOM), U.S. Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA), and the Republic of Croatia in the planning and execution of this activity.

Purpose The purpose of this activity is to further support the development and refinement of C-WMD National Strategies.

Objectives The objectives are:

- To peer review progress made in the development of national strategies to counter the proliferation of WMDs
- To discuss in depth emerging trends in border security
- To revise border security risk assessment
- To revise harmonisation with EU migration efforts

Participants Approximately 55 participants: 2 - 3 participants already identified as part of the national drafting team/working group and 2 – 3 participants from relevant national agencies in charge of border security issues. All in all, up to five participants from: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Kosovo*, The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia¹, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, and Turkey.

Methodology The activitiy will last 4 working days, and it will consist of presentations, panel discussions, a table-top exercise in smaller breakout groups, and a foreign fighters round table discussion on the final day.

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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.
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