

Information Note¹

Event: Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Experts Meeting on Coordinated Border Management

Organizer: Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF)

Date and Venue: 5-6 May 2015, Lyon, France

Participants: *CTITF Working Group on Border Management Relating to Counter-Terrorism:* Counter Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) (Lead, Co-Chairs), World Customs Organisation (WCO) (Co-Chairs), INTERPOL (Co-Chairs), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), International Maritime Organization (IMO), Terrorism Prevention Branch of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (TPB/UNODC), International Organization for Migration (IOM), United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (UNOHCHR), United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI), expert of UNSCR 1267/1989 (Al-Qaida/Taliban) Monitoring Team, and 1540 Committee expert.

Other: Stimson Center (USA)

1. **Objectives of Participation of 1540 expert:**

- Enhancing relations and cooperation with CTITF and other relevant CTITF entities on border management.
- Discussing the templates developed by CTITF in collaboration with the Stimson Centre on coordinated border management to incorporate into the templates relevant 1540 obligations on border controls.
- Discussing future participation and collaboration in the work of the CTITF Working Group on Border Management to better coordinate in a comprehensive manner to help national border management agencies carry out their duties more effectively.

2. **Background**

- Resolution 1977 (2001) invites the 1540 Committee to consider developing, in close cooperation with relevant international, regional and subregional organizations and other United Nations bodies, ways to utilize and maintain expertise that could be made available regarding the implementation of resolution 1540 (2004).
- The Group of Experts of the Committee is one of the thirty-four entities of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) and participates in the work of the

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Working Group on Border Management Relating to Counter-Terrorism and the Working Group on Preventing and Responding to WMD Terrorist Attacks.

- The Working Group on Border Management Relating to Counter-Terrorism was established to help Member States strengthen their border-management and border-control systems as set out in Pillar II, paragraphs 4, 5, 7, 8, 13 to 16 and Pillar III, paragraphs 2, 4 and 11 to 13 of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy (A/RES/60/288).
- The Working Group on Border Management, led by CTED, is implementing its three-phase project on coordinated border management. Under Phase I of the project, the Working Group compiled, organized, published and presented a comprehensive compendium of legal instruments, standards and recommended practices relating to effective border control. During Phase II, the Working Group is developing templates/models on coordinated border management (CBM) in collaboration with the Stimson Centre.
- On 16 March 2015, Dr. Jehangir Khan, Director, CTITF invited the 1540 Committee to designate a 1540 expert to participate in the meeting with a view to coordinate the work in the area of border controls as well as to discuss the templates developed by CTITF in collaboration with the Stimson Centre on coordinated border management.

3. **Assessment**

The participating experts at the meeting discussed the templates/models on coordinated border management (CBM) and agreed that these templates will contribute towards integrating a variety of border management requirements and practices into a consolidated and implementable framework that would help national border management agencies carry out their duties collaboratively and more effectively.

4. **Additional comments**

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