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DRUG ROUTES
ORGANIZED BY THE OSCE, TURKISH NATIONAL POLICE AND UNODC
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Day 1

Opening and welcoming statements 09:00 to 09:15

Ragıp KILIÇ, Deputy Head of Anti Smuggling and Organized Crime Department, Turkish Ministry of Interior

Mr. Kevin Carty, Senior Police Adviser to the OSCE secretary General

Session 1- 09:15 to 11:00

The international and regional legal frameworks:

Setting the scene; judicial and law enforcement co-operation in drug trafficking (including the applicable UN Conventions; Police Co-operation Convention for SE Europe)

- UN Conventions – Rajka Vlahovic , UNODC
- Police Co-operation Convention for SE Europe - Thomas Pepper, Ministry of Interior, Austria

11:00 - 11:30

Coffee Break

Session 2 – 11:30 – 12:45

The international/regional legal framework in practice:

Moderators – OSCE; Contributions from SE regional delegations (8 minutes per delegation)

Remarks from the floor should cover day to day practice in accordance with the international/regional legal framework, highlighting any of the following:, relevant features of domestic law, gaps in domestic law, effective practices, problems and challenges in the one or more of the following areas:

- Information exchange
- Special investigation techniques
- Controlled deliveries
- Operation of central authorities and mutual legal assistance (MLA)
- Joint investigations /co-ordination of parallel investigations
- Restraint and confiscation of assets through MLA

Note: SE regional delegations (Albania, Bosnia Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia)

should be prepared to make brief, informal comments on two or three of the above bullet points.

12:45 – 14:00 Lunch provided at event location

Session 3 – 14:00 – 16:00

International law enforcement and judicial co-operation (SE Region/EU and other jurisdictions) - (transit and destination countries)

Moderator: OSCE; Contributions: (15 minutes each)

Presentations to highlight co-operation methods and basis for co-operating with the countries of the SE region and impact in drug trafficking casers.

- Europol
- Eurojust
- Russian Federation
- France
- Denmark
- Belgium
- Latvia

Discussion

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee Break

Session 4- 16:30 – 17:15

Regional law enforcement and judicial co-operation mechanisms within SE Europe:

Moderator – OSCE; Contributions: (15 minutes each)

Presentations to highlight specific methods used to support national authorities in SE region and the impact in drug trafficking cases.

- SECI Center – Mitja Mocnik, SECI Director & Ibrahim Gul, Head of Legal Unit
- SEPCA (South Eastern European Police Chiefs Association) - Stanislav Bezovsky
Executive Secretary SEPCA

discussion and questions

Wrap up 17:15 – 17:30

An overview of current Afghan heroin use in Europe:

- European Monitoring Center for Drugs and Drug Addiction

17:30

Close of first day

19:30 – 22:00

Dinner hosted by Turkish Police (location to be announced)

Day 2

Session 5 - 09:30 to 12:30

Drug trafficking case studies Eurojust, SECI Center, destination/transit countries

Moderator – UNODC/OSCE, Contributions (20 - 25 minutes each)

Each delegation to present a case study highlighting law-enforcement and/or judicial co-operation methods used (e.g. controlled delivery, mutual legal assistance etc) including analysis of factors contributing to success or failure.

- Turkey
- Albania
- France
- Europol
- Eurojust

Plenary discussion and questions

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee Break

Further discussion

12:30 - 13:30

Lunch provided at event location

13:30- 14:30

Final plenary session, conclusions and recommendations

Moderated by the OSCE Senior Police Adviser

14:30 Closure: - OSCE Senior Police Advisor/Head of Strategic Police Matters Unit