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Group Objectives:

- Discuss proposals for modifications of CMEP Handbook
- Discuss current direction of CMEP and suggest possible items for consideration by the Council which would clarify our roles and integration with UN, NATO and EU standards.
- Discuss possible events to be scheduled and modifications or additions to existing events that will increase the training value for CMEP SEE participants.
- Review the schedule and suggest actions for the following 18 month period.

Suggestions and Proposals

- Suggestion for the S&PWG – To review the CMEP Handbook with an eye towards identifying needed revisions that would make it more compatible with UN, NATO and EU standards. In particular, adding procedures to facilitate the crossing of borders between EU and Non-EU countries. The handbook should be considered as a living document open for revision.**

Suggestions and Proposals

- **Due to the large number of changing participants and new countries we recommend holding a CMEP “Lessons Learned” seminar which would cover the history of the development CMEP and the way ahead. This seminar should not only focus on technical aspects, but also incorporate some of the political issues that have influence the direction of the program.**

Suggestions and Proposals (Cont'd)

- **Modification to the previous suggestion for damage assessment training. Due to the technical nature of this type of training it will be necessary to specify the qualifications of the attending members to ensure they have appropriate expertise. We suggest one or two additional participants to accompany the usual members.**

Suggestions and Proposals (Cont'd)

- In order to facilitate the modification of the P&EWG Terms of reference to incorporate the EU standards, we suggest inviting an EU/CMEP country (Slovenia) to make a presentation and share their experience regarding the European integration as a CMEP country. This should be scheduled for the next SEE annual meeting.**

Suggestions and Proposals (Cont'd)

- We suggest inviting a member from SEEBRIG to make a presentation to inform the CMEP members as to the current status and roles of military support to civilians. This should be scheduled for the next SEE annual meeting.**

Suggestions and Proposals (Cont'd)

- We suggest inviting experts with emergency planning experience from international organizations (UN, NATO and EU) or scientific and research institutions. Invitations could be issued to UNOCHA, Civil Emergency Planning Directorate of NATO, EU Directorate General XI.**

Suggestions and Proposals (Cont'd)

- **Cooperation between Civil and Military should be re-emphasized. To accomplish this we suggest that TTX scenarios be drafted such that they ensure the involvement of SEEBRIG and National Military authorities.**

2008 Annual Meeting Agenda

- **“Lessons Learned” seminar.**
- **Presentation of Slovenian EU integration experience.**
- **Presentation of SEEBRIG on civil military cooperation in emergencies.**
- **Presentation on UN, NATO and EU emergency situations Standards and Procedures**

2009 Technical Meeting Agenda

- **Damage assessment training.**

Summary

In order to identify the proper amendments to the CMEP handbook to reflect the developments in the region, we propose the following items in the agenda for the Council's Annual Meeting:

- Sharing the experience of European integration from the perspective of a CMEPC member country (Slovenia)**
- Presentation of SEEBRIG concept regarding military support to civilians during emergencies**
- Debate/Discussions, at Council's level, to determine the way ahead**

Summary (Cont'd)

- **Presentation on UN, NATO and EU emergency situations Standards and Procedures**

Group Accomplishments

- Discussed and formulated suggestions and proposals for consideration by the council
- General discussion of the current state of the handbook and decided what changes would be necessary in the future.
- Identified necessary topics which would support the training of CMEP participants and the integration with UN, NATO and EU
- Proposed agenda items for upcoming events scheduled during the next 18 months.
- Revised Appendix C-1 PEW/G



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