

EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE



DIRECTOR

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NOTE FOR THE ATTENTION OF PSC AMBASSADORS

Dear Ambassadors,

SUBJECT: SECOND CALL FOR DEPLOYMENT OF THREE (3) MEMBER STATE EXPERTS TO THE EU LIAISON AND PLANNING CELL, TUNIS

REFERENCE: INFORMATION UPDATE BY CMPD DIRECTOR IKLODY IN PSC ON 17 JUNE, 2015 ON THE WORK OF THE EU LIAISON AND PLANNING CELL

1. Background

You will recall from my progress report in the PSC of 17 June 2015 on the EU Liaison and Planning Cell in Tunis that a 2nd call for contribution is required to ensure that the key work of the Cell can be further developed. The UN-led political dialogue could result in a possible breakthrough in the current Libyan crisis and it is therefore important that we are ready to respond to this challenge. The Cell has been supporting UNSMIL in developing planning for security arrangements plan in Tripoli once a Government of National Unity is formed, and it is likely that the need for EU's support in this domain will grow further in the coming weeks and months. The aim of the Cell remains two-fold: to provide the UN Support Mission in Libya (UNSMIL) with military planning expertise, and to inform prudent planning in Brussels in accordance with the PFCA. The Cell currently consists of two planners deployed by the Netherlands and the European Gendarmerie Force (EGF) under the leadership of Brigadier General Maurizio Caso, Defence Advisor to EU Delegation Libya. Three further positions have been identified as necessary to carry the work forward: a military planner, an intelligence officer and a military interpreter. This would bring the total of staff to 5 plus the Defence Advisor. In order to assure continuity of the Cell, it would be preferable if all three candidates sought in this call for contribution either remained with the Cell until the end of 2015 or at the very least until 18 October (end of the initial operational period of the Cell).

I intend to issue a third Call for Contribution before the summer break in order to take into account the likely extension of UNSMIL's mandate which is due for renewal by 15 September 2015. We will also reassess the working arrangements for the Cell including the necessary changes should a move to Libya be foreseen in the interim period.

2. METHODOLOGY

- a) Member States are requested to examine the personal profile and job description to ensure that:
 - proposed candidates meet the listed criteria described in the essential requirements and in the job descriptions (**Annex 2**).
 - each candidate completes the standard job application form in English (**Annex 3**).
- b) Proposed candidates should satisfy in full the criteria set out in the job description. The main criteria for suitability for posts are professional and specific skills, and experience.
- c) We would appreciate if Member States would submit offers of personnel at their earliest convenience, **but no later than 17.00 hrs Brussels time on 30 June 2015**, by e-mail to the following addresses:

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- d) CMPD will notify Member States of the outcome of the selection process. Communication of the selection result is expected to take place straight after the selection of the appropriate candidates.
- e) The selected persons should be ready for deployment to Tunis on **7 July 2015**.
- f) Selected personnel should follow one day pre-deployment briefing in Brussels if time allows.

3. GENERAL INFORMATION

- a) Only personnel nominations received through official channels from Member States will be considered. Member States will bear all personnel-related costs for selected personnel, including salaries, medical coverage, insurance, travel expenses to and from Tunisia (including home leave where applicable and deployment on missions) and all allowances.
- b) The EU strives for improved gender balance in CSDP operations in compliance with UNSCR 1325. CMPD encourages Member States to take this into account when offering contributions.
- c) The selected candidates will have to be in possession of the necessary level of security clearance, as indicated in the requirements of the relevant job description. The original certificate of the national security clearance must accompany deployed personnel.

d) Any further information required relating to the selection and deployment may be obtained from the CMPD by contacting either:

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ANNEXES: Terms of Reference (**Annex 1**)
Requirements and Job Descriptions (**Annex 2**)
Standard Application Form (**Annex 3**)