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BRIEFING FOR SPEAKER

Thank you for agreeing to participate in the upcoming High Level Meeting of the Djibouti Code of Conduct in Dubai (28-30 June 2022). This briefing is provided to help speakers and panelists prepare for the meeting by expanding on the overall themes and objectives of the meeting, as well as the goals for the individual panels. You will find more information on the themes and objectives of the meeting in the Read Ahead Document that has been distributed by the Secretariat – but a short summary is below:

Overall Themes of the Meeting

As described in the Read Ahead Document, four specific goals (Resolutions) will be addressed. The panels and briefings will help to inform these decisions.

- Operationalizes the Roadmap and Information Sharing Network Strategy for the Information Sharing Network. Including standing up National Centres and minimum capacity within 2 years.
- 2) Approval of the Regional Capacity Building Coordination Matrix as the primary tool for prioritization of regional capacity building. Including support from the Friends of DCoC.
- 3) Requests that nations and international organizations re-energize the DCoC Trust Fund as a valuable tool for building regional capacity.
- 4) Recognizes the changing maritime security priorities for DCoC member states and the evolving nature of international support structure in the Indian Ocean.

Objectives. As discussed in the Read Ahead Document, the goal is to gain signatory States' agreement on four resolutions aligned with the above themes. These will be finalized on Day 3.

Administration. Speakers are asked to provide briefing materials to the secretariat by the 27th of June so the briefs can be loaded. Please let me know if this is not possible and we can coordinate when you arrive. Also, please provide a short biography or CV to use for introductions if you have not done so.

Specific Guidance for Panel Discussions. Below are some suggestions for themes to be discussed on each panel. This guidance is not meant to change briefs you may have already coordinated - but is provided to assist speakers if required.

Session #3 Panel Discussion:

Panel Discussion: "Establishing NMISCs as the Foundation for the DCoC ISN". This panel is expected to inform Resolution #1 regarding the establishment of NMISCs in line with the Information Sharing Roadmap. This panel should specifically stress the need to operationalize national centres as the foundation for the information sharing network. Each speaker is asked to conduct a 10 min briefing and be prepared to answer questions during a follow-up question and answer session.

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Session #6 Panel Discussion

Panel Discussion: "Developing Regional Capabilities to Align with New Priorities". This panel is expected to inform Resolution #2 regarding the adoption of a capacity building matrix approved in WG #2. Specifically, the purpose of the panel is to discuss challenges associated with building capacities for a broader set of maritime security challenges. Each speaker is asked to conduct a 10 min briefing and be prepared to answer questions during a follow-up question and answer session. Below lists the speakers and possible points of discussion. Each speaker is asked to conduct a 10 min briefing and be prepared to answer questions during a follow-up question and answer session.

Session #9 Panel Discussion

Panel Discussion: "Panel Discussion – Re-engineering the DCoC/JA to meet the challenges of new and emerging threats to Maritime Security" This panel is expected to discuss ways that the Friends of the DCoC could best support regional needs – particularly by prioritizing and de-conflicting capacity building efforts in support of the capacity building matrix developed by Working Group 2. The First speaker (ISS) will suggest a longer-term strategy for the Friends of DCoC over the coming year. Each speaker is asked to conduct a 10 min briefing and be prepared to answer questions during a follow-up question and answer session.

Note: This panel discussion will be followed by a separate Friends of the DCoC meeting to further discuss this issue.

The Secretariat and the lead consultant facilitator Mr. Jon Huggins are happy to provide any further guidance you may require. Please feel free to contact the on any of the numbers below:

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