

29th EAG PLENARY MEETING

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ON THE RESULTS OF THE 29th EAG PLENARY MEETING

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A. *General Information on EAG Plenary Meeting*

The Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism (EAG) held its 29th Plenary meeting and meetings of Working Groups in Minsk (Republic of Belarus) from 12 to 16 November 2018.

The event was attended by delegations of EAG member states: Belarus, China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, and representatives of the EAG observer states and organizations: Armenia, Iran, Italy, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Korea, Poland, Serbia, USA, FATF, APG, Egmont Group, Anti-Terrorist Centre of the Commonwealth of Independent States (ATC CIS), Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC), Eurasian Development bank (EDB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Executive Committee of Commonwealth Independent States (EC CIS), Interpol, International Monetary Fund (IMF), UN Counter Terrorism Committee (UN CTC), UNSC 1267 Committee Monitoring Team, World Bank (WB), Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), Central Asian Regional Information and Coordination Centre for Combating Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances and Their Precursors (CARICC), Shanghai Cooperation Organization (presented by RATS SCO), as well as the Islamic Development bank (IsDB) which was invited by the Chairperson.

The EAG Chairperson Ms. HAO Jinghua (China) chaired the Plenary.

Mr. Leonid Anfimov, Chairman of the State Control Committee of the Republic of Belarus, have addressed the EAG Plenary.

Mr. L. Anfimov read out the welcome address on behalf of the Prime Minister of the Republic of Belarus Sergey Rumas.

B. *Important Issues of the Plenary Session*

The Plenary approved the Mutual Evaluation Report (MER) of the Republic of Tajikistan and its Executive Summary as part of the 2nd round of EAG mutual evaluations. The Plenary noted the significant progress of the Republic of Tajikistan in improving its AML/CFT system since the previous evaluation. The Plenary discussed the key findings, priority actions, and recommended actions regarding the AML/CFT regime of the Republic of Tajikistan. Upon completion of the FATF quality and consistency process, the report will be published at the EAG website.

According to the Procedures of the 2nd round of EAG mutual evaluations, the Republic of Tajikistan will present a progress report to the 31th EAG Plenary Meeting in November 2019.

The Plenary considered practical issues of EAG membership cooperation in combating the financing of terrorism. The Plenary reaffirms its commitment to this highly relevant work and encourages the EAG member states to continue sharing their national terrorism designations lists.

The Plenary the approved the Typology Report “Money Laundering through Insurance Companies.” The report will be published on the EAG website.

The Plenary has approved the EAG Work Plan 2019.

C. *Cooperation with International and Regional Organizations, which are EAG Partners*

The Plenary has appreciated cooperation with the Anti-Terrorist Centre of the Commonwealth of Independent States on CFT, including on identifying FTF facilitators.

D. *EAG Member States AML/CFT Status*

The EAG member states presented information on amendments to their national AML/CFT legislation and the ML/FT risk assessments.

The Plenary approved the action plan of the Kyrgyz Republic to rectify the technical compliance deficiencies and enhance effectiveness of the AML/CFT system and supported the efforts of the Kyrgyz Republic to engage with international donor organizations and ITMCFM to implement the above-mentioned Plan.

E. Other

The Plenary expressed gratitude to the Republic of Belarus for the warm hospitality and excellent organization of the 29th EAG Plenary Meeting and Meetings of the Working Groups.

The 30th EAG Plenary will take place in the Russian Federation in May 2019.