

**ANNEX I: ACTION PLAN FOR STRENGTHENING THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORIST FINANCING**

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| **Objectives and Actions** | **Responsible** | **Timing** |
| **Preventing the movement of funds and identifying terrorist funding** | | |
| *Tackling the abuse of the financial system for terrorist financing purposes* | | |
| Bring forward the date for effective transposition and entry into force of the 4th AMLD. | Member States | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| Adopt a EU blacklist to identify high risk third countries with strategic deficiencies in their anti-money laundering/countering terrorism financing. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2016 |
| Publish a report on a supranational assessment of money laundering and terrorism financing risks and recommendations to Member States on measures suitable to address those risks. | Commission | 2nd quarter 2017 |
| Propose amendments to the following points of the Anti Money Laundering Directive:   * Enhanced due diligence measures/countermeasures with regards to high risk third countries; * Virtual currency exchange platforms; * Prepaid instruments; * Centralised bank and payment account registers or electronic data retrieval systems; * The access of Financial Intelligence Units to, and exchange of, information | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2016 |

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| Improving the efficiency of the EU’s transposition of UN freezing measures, including by enhanced information between EU and UN. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2016 |
| Reinforcing the capacity of Member States, the Commission, EEAS and economic operators to share information on challenges to implementation of restrictive measures, including to exchange information on potential new UN listings, via the Financial Sanctions Database. | Commission | At the latest by *2nd quarter 2016* |
| Explore the possibility of a self-standing legislative instrument to allow for a broader consultation of bank and payment account registers for other investigations and by other authorities, beyond the scope of the AMLD. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2016 |
| Reinforcing the cooperation between FIU through appropriate measures. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2017 |
| **Other initiatives to complement the existing legal framework** | | |
| *Harmonizing money laundering criminal offenses and sanctions* | | |
| Legislative proposal harmonising money laundering criminal offences and sanctions. | Commission | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016; |
| *Tackling illicit cash movements* | | |
| Legislative proposal against illicit cash movements. | Commission | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| *Completing the EU framework to track and freeze terrorist assets* | | |
| An EU regime for the freezing of assets of terrorists under Article 75 TFEU. | Commission | Conclude an assessment at the latest by 4th quarter 2016; |
| Strengthening the mutual recognition of criminal assets' freezing and confiscation orders. | Commission | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| A possible European system which would complement the existing EU-US TFTP agreement by tracing transactions excluded under the mentioned agreement. | Commission | Conclude an assessment at the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| **Targeting the sources of funding** | | |
| Legislative proposal reinforcing customs' powers and cooperation and addressing terrorism financing related to trade in goods. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2017 |
| Legislative proposal against illicit trade in cultural goods. | Commission | At the latest by 2nd quarter 2017 |
| EU Action Plan on Illegal Wildlife Trafficking. | Commission | At the latest by 1st quarter 2016 |
| **The external dimension** | | |
| Launch projects to provide technical assistance to Middle East and North African (MENA) countries to fight against the trafficking of cultural goods. | Commission and the High Representative | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| Strengthen support to third countries in complying with UNSCRs legal requirements and FATF recommendations. | Commission and the High Representative | Ongoing |
| Support countries in the MENA and South East Asia regions to monitor, disrupt and deny the financing of terrorism. | Commission and the High Representative | At the latest by 4th quarter 2016 |
| Deepen work to exchange information with third country partners to make/sustain listings under EU autonomous measures to combat terrorism. | Commission and the High Representative | Ongoing |