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**To the Ambassadors,
Permanent Representatives of the Member States to the
European Union
(by e-mail)**

Subject : Secondment of a national expert to the General Secretariat of the Council, DG D2,
Directorate Judicial Cooperation in Civil and Criminal Matters, Police and Customs
Operational cooperation on internal security
Ref.: - END/2014/4 (4513)

Sir, Madam,

The Lisbon Treaty established a Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security (Article 71 TFEU). The EU agenda and the Council's workload on the important issue of internal security continue to increase. This includes the fight against terrorism, which remains a high priority in JHA policies and requires ongoing efforts in the law enforcement field.

In this area, several seconded national experts contribute to the action requested from the General Secretariat of the Council. The secondment of a national expert comes to an end in August 2014. In this respect, the General Secretariat of the Council seeks to recruit a seconded national expert in order to assist the Presidencies and the Council in developing activities in the internal security area.

The post description is annexed hereto. The expert should take up his/her duties at the General Secretariat of the Council by **1 September 2014**. The period of secondment is two years. Following an internal assessment, it can be extended up to a maximum of four years in total.

The conditions of secondment, including allowances paid by the Council, are set out in the Council Decision of 5 December 2007 on the rules applicable to national experts and military staff on secondment to the General Secretariat of the Council (2007/829/EC, OJ L 327, 13.12.2007, repealing Decision 2003/479/EC). According to Article 1 of this Decision, seconded national experts have to be nationals of an EU Member State.

Member States are hereby invited to propose candidates qualified for this post.

I should be grateful if proposals could indicate the responsible national contact point for each candidate's submission. Submissions shall be accompanied by a curriculum vitae detailing all posts held until present, and by a letter stating the motivation for application.

Replies to this letter should be sent by e-mail, **no later than 15 April 2014, 17.00 hr**, to the following address: service.recrutement-END@consilium.europa.eu.

The relevant department together with the Human Resources Directorate shall examine the applications received, decide which candidates to shortlist, and conduct the interviews.

The Appointing authority shall decide on the engagement based on the outcome of the selection procedure. The General Secretariat of the Council may also decide to use the list of suitable candidates to cover possible future vacancies of the same profile.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'C. D'Aniello', written in a cursive style.

Cesira D'ANIELLO

Annex : 1

**Seconded National Expert for
the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union**

**DG D, Directorate 2
- Operational cooperation on internal security -**

*(Ref.: END/2014/4 (4513)
(1 post)*

Job description

A. Main tasks and responsibilities

Working in DG D2 of the General Secretariat of the Council in Brussels, under the authority of the head of Unit 2C, the expert will be called upon to:

- Prepare and follow-up the work of the Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security (COSI, Article 71 TFEU), including all necessary research, planning, analysis, monitoring and evaluation activities related to projects falling within the COSI's remit;
- Maintain relations with other Council working groups, the relevant Commission services, EU agencies and national administrations;
- Draft policy papers, notes and briefings as required;
- Attend meetings and prepare meeting records as necessary.

B. Qualifications/experience

- University degree or equivalent in an area related to internal security matters;
- Professional experience of at least eight years, of which minimum five should be operational experience in a law enforcement agency with a strong project management dimension (i.e. preparation and implementation of security plans, in particular in the field of serious and organised crime);
- Experience of working in an international environment would be desirable;
- Experience/knowledge of the workings of the EU, in particular in the fields of Justice and Home Affairs and/or Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) (including European Security and Defence Policy (ESDP)), would be desirable;

C. Skills/abilities

- Good (oral and written) communication skills;
- Good project management and organisational skills;
- Sense of initiative;
- Good interpersonal communication;
- Ability to work harmoniously and productively with people of different national, cultural and personal backgrounds;
- A thorough knowledge of one Community language and a satisfactory knowledge of a second language, for the performance of the duties concerned; in practice, in the interests of the department, fully fluent written and spoken English is required. Some knowledge of French is desirable.
- National security clearance at EU CONFIDENTIAL level. Such clearance must be obtained by the candidate(s) from his/her competent Authorities before his/her secondment at the General Secretariat of the Council. This clearance must be valid for the whole period of secondment. If not, the General Secretariat reserves the right to refuse the secondment as national expert.

D. General conditions

Applicants must:

- be nationals of one of the Member States of the European Union and enjoy full rights as a citizen;
- have fulfilled any obligations imposed by the laws concerning military service.

The General Secretariat of the Council applies an equal opportunities policy.

For more information relating to the selection, please contact:

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