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SUBJECT: **Forms of Partnership**

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PURPOSE: To inform about the framework of Partnership (CP/OP) to the IAMD COE.

BACKGROUND: In SCM 1/21 (3 June 21) minutes it is stated that LEGAD and FINCON will investigate the framework of a potential partnership to IAMD COE, providing access to the Centre's products without positioning personnel (as a Sponsoring Nation).

ANALYSIS &
STATUS:

1. According to the IAMD COE Operational MOU definitions, a "Partner" can be any "nation, organization or entity which contributes to or interacts with the IAMD COE" and can be categorized as a "Contributing Partner" (CP) or as "Other Partner" (OP).

2. Since the above definition provides no restrictions, a "Partner" apart from a NATO Partner can also be a NATO Nation, not wanting to be involved in the COE as a "Participant" (that is a signatory to the COE'S Operational and Functional MOU) and thus avoiding political implications of a potential future withdrawal from the COE's MOU.

3. In order to form a partnership, a Technical Arrangement (TA) needs to be signed between the nations participating in the COE and the potential Partner.

4. Given the above, Contributing Partnership is understood as below:

a. A Contributing Partner may provide manpower/funds/equipment/service or all of those.

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b. The COE Participants express their will to share the products and services of the COE created or enhanced by capitalizing on the contribution and taking all relevant security arrangements and restrictions duly into account. Product and services of the COE in which there was no contribution by the Partner are not to be shared with it.

c. The CP's national audit authority may request, through the Director, access to all records or copies, which are required to audit its financial contribution, if any.

d. All arising costs from the Partnership are agreed to be borne by the CP (for example travel costs).

e. The CP's personnel are given access only to NATO information (NATO Unclassified up to NATO Secret) which has specifically been released to the CP country (in case the CP is a NATO Partner)

f. The Contributing Partner may suggest through the COE Director items for incorporation into the Program of Work (POW) presented to the Steering Committee (SC) for approval.

g. The Contributing Partner may be invited to the Centre's SC either as an observer or advisor, but it does not have any voting rights.

h. The duration of the TA (and thus the Partnership) can be definite (specific expiration date provided) or indefinite (until either the COE Partner or all the COE Participants wish to discontinue the partnership).

5. When it comes to the content of the term "Other Partner" it can only be understood in conjunction with par.10.16 of the IAMD COE Operational MOU, and thus involves nations not wishing to contribute to the products and services in any of the ways provided but request only access to them and are charged accordingly (either with a SC decision or a TA).

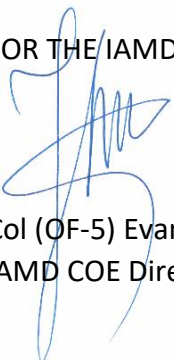
FINANCIAL
CONSIDERATIONS
& FUNDING

No financial obligations arise from the aforementioned issues.

RECOMMENDATIONS
& DECISION:

The SC members are requested to be informed regarding the above-mentioned issues.

FOR THE IAMD COE:



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