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REPORT BY INDONESIA ON CTWG ACHIEVEMENTS DURING 2014.

CTWG has updated the CTWG Strategic Plan 2013-2017 which included Key Performance Indicators (KPI) and submitted to SOM Steering Committee on Economic and Technical Cooperation (SCE) in August 2015. The plan could be refined continuously by members of CGTW as scope and targets of the different activities included in the plan become clearer through the years. The SCE Chair commended the CTWG for the good specific identification of cross cutting collaboration plans.

During the third CTWG meeting in Beijing, CTWG members underlined the importance of CTAP as the most valuable references for developing relevant and appropriate initiatives, addressing weakness and strength in APEC region. Members of CTWG acknowledged the important of regular CTAP reporting and agreed to keep CTAP as basis for developing practical projects and initiatives, as it indicates economies needs and opportunities on counter terrorism.

CTWG has organized the APEC IX STAR Conference which discussed 'Transportation Security in APEC Region: Challenges and Opportunities' held in Beijing, on 6-7 August 2014 on the sidelines of the SOM 3 Meetings. The Conference was jointly organized by China, Indonesia and Russian Federation and attended by ninety officials as well as representatives of the private sector. The STAR Conference aimed to explore challenges and opportunities on key security issues of transportation system to facilitate movement of people. The conference also addressed APEC Economies initiatives to control treats in marine transportation and dedicated one session to share experiences and best practices in ensuring countainer transportation security. The CTWG Chair has submitted a summary report on the outcomes of the conference.

During the Third CTWG meeting, CTWG members has endorsed the nomination of the Philippines for the CTWG Chairmanship in 2015-2016.

On the implementation of the CTWG Work plan, the CTWG has conducted activities in four areas of capacity bulding activities:

Secure Supply Chains

- United States has initiated the Joint CTWG/TPTWG/SCCP Global Trade Recovery Information Platform (GTRIP). The GTRIP information system was presented in September 2014 and GTRIP Workshop co-sponsored by the US and Singapore was held in Singapore in November 2014.

Secure Travel

- CTWG has conducted joint projects with BMG and SCCP to develop Trusted Traveler Characteristics and Best Practices on Implementing Advance Passenger Information System (API). The project on the Trusted Traveler Characteristics covers several areas such as developing characteristics; implementing Workshops; pilot projects; and possibly forming a network of Trusted Traveler Programs among interested economies.
- The CTWG has conducted the CTWG Follow-on Bus Anti Terrorism Workshop held on 30-31 July 2014 in Manila, Philippines. The Workshop attended by fifty Officials from twelve member economies. The Workshop brought together the private sector, law enforcement, and policy practitioners to share and discuss the challenges and lessons learned associated with combating bus-terrorism at both the economy level and regional level. The workshop also focused on reviewing and expanding upon the APEC toolbox of best practices that was developed during the 2012 Workshop.

Secure Finance

- CTWG has carried out a multi-year project on Protecting Designated Non-financial Businesses and Professions (DNFBP's) initiated and funded by Australia. The report of the outcomes of the project has been presented by Australia.
- The United States has initiated the self-funded project on 'Secure Finance Workshop on Countering Financing of Terrorism with New Payment Systems' which aims to raise APEC Economies awareness to the challenges and threats posed by National Payment Systems (NPS) in financing terrorism, as they are largely unregulated. The Workshop was held during SOM 1 in Subic, Philippines.

Secure Infrastructure

- CTWG has conducted APEC-funded project on 'Major Events Security Framework. Canada has submitted the final report on the APEC Major Events Security Framework Projects based on the experiences of the two workshops conducted in 2013 and 2014.
- CTWG has conducted the Workshop on Secure Infrastructure: Critical Infrastructure Security: Enhancing Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience (CISR) in the Asia-Pacific Region, held on 16-17 October 2014 in Chinese Taipei. The workshop aims to build capacity between APEC Economies by sharing lesson learned and establishing best practices that promote security and resilience of critical trade and travel infrastructure.

