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Report on the meeting of the open-ended intergovernmental expert group to conduct a comprehensive study of the problem of cybercrime held in Vienna from 17 to 21 January 2011

I. Introduction

1. The meeting of the open-ended intergovernmental expert group to conduct a comprehensive study of the problem of cybercrime was held in Vienna from 17 to 21 January 2011, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 65/230.

II. Recommendations

2. At its 10th meeting, on 21 January 2011, the expert group adopted the collection of topics for consideration within a comprehensive study of the impact of and response to cybercrime and the methodology for that study. The expert group decided that the collection of topics and the methodology for the study would be submitted to the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice at its twentieth session, in accordance with paragraph 11 of General Assembly resolution 65/230.1

III. Organization of the meeting

A. Opening and duration of the meeting

3. The Chair of the twentieth session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice made an opening statement. The elected Chair of the expert group also addressed the meeting, presenting an overview of the mandate of the

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¹ The collection of topics and the methodology are contained in annexes I and II of E/CN.15/2011/19.

group and its objective. The Secretary introduced the provisional agenda and the proposed organization of work.

B. Attendance

4. The meeting was attended by representatives of 78 Member States, an entity maintaining a permanent observer mission to the United Nations, United Nations bodies, institutes of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme network, a specialized agency, intergovernmental organizations and the private sector. A list of participants is contained in document UNODC/CCPCJ/EG.4/2011/INF/2/Rev.1.

C. Election of officers

5. At its 1st meeting, on 17 January 2011, the expert group elected the following officers by acclamation:

Chair: Xolisa Mfundiso Mabhongo (South Africa)

Vice-Chairs: Julio Cezar Zelner Gonçalves (Brazil)

Yanduan Li (China)

Miroslava Beham (Serbia)²

Rapporteur: Christopher D. Ram (Canada)

D. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

- 6. Also at its 1st meeting, the expert group adopted its provisional agenda (UNODC/CCPCJ/EG.4/2011/1). The agenda was as follows:
 - 1. Organizational matters:
 - (a) Opening of the meeting;
 - (b) Election of officers;
 - (c) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
 - 2. The problem of cybercrime.
 - 3. Responses to cybercrime by Member States, the international community and the private sector.
 - 4. Options to strengthen existing and to propose new national and international legal or other responses to cybercrime.
 - 5. A comprehensive study on cybercrime:
 - (a) Scope of the study and identification of priority areas;
 - (b) Methodology of the study, including methods for compiling information.

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² Acting until 31 January 2011.

- 6. Conclusions and recommendations.
- 7. Adoption of the report, including the topics and methodology of the study.
- 8. Closing of the meeting.

E. Documentation

- 7. The expert group had before it the following:
- (a) Provisional agenda and proposed organization of work (UNODC/CCPCJ/EG.4/2011/1);
- (b) Draft topics for consideration in a comprehensive study on the impact of and response to cybercrime (UNODC/CCPCJ/EG.4/2011/2/Rev.1).

IV. Adoption of the report

8. At its 10th meeting, on 21 January 2011, the meeting adopted its report (UNODC/CCPCJ/EG.4/2011/L.1).

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