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A message from the Acting Head of Mission

On Wednesday 25 January, the mission presented its 6-Monthly report to CIVCOM in Brussels. It was the occasion of a fruitful exchange with the Member States who commended the work of both EUPOL COPPS and EUBAM Rafah.

Last week, I was also glad to see the PCP media officers interacting in a very positive manner during the workshop on Digital Media and Information Technology Tools which was delivered by a senior British expert working for the Staffordshire Police. This training, coordinated by EUPOL COPPS and delivered thanks to the TAIEX instrument, will enable our counterparts at the PCP Media Administration to measure the level of satisfaction of the public towards the police and to adapt accordingly.

Palestinian Police concludes workshop on Digital Media

Fourteen Palestinian Civil Police officers concluded a three-day workshop to further enhance their capabilities in using Digital Media and Information Technology Tools. During the workshop, which was held at the Palestinian Police Academy in Jericho, David Bailey, a Senior Communications Manager at Staffordshire Police in the United Kingdom, delivered lectures to the media and public relations officers of

the Palestinian Civil Police on improving the outreach of the police in website and social networks and how to increase interaction. The British expert, who manages the strategic approach to communications and public relations and leads on digital engagement including social media and website engagement at Staffordshire Police, also showed the attendees the best tools on measuring the

outreach and how to improve the stories they publish to make them more attractive to the communities they serve.



EUPOL COPPS concludes Training of Trainers course for the Palestinian Police



EUPOL COPPS Police Advisers concluded on a refreshment Training of Trainers course for 15 Palestinian police officers in

Jericho. The aim of the four-day training is to enable the graduates to effectively transfer their acquired skills to fellow officers in the 11 districts. This training will ensure that all Palestinian Civil Police officers have the same standard training across all districts. The EUPOL COPPS advisers said that the Train-the-

Trainer course included the application of various police tactics such as vehicle search, safety zones, search, arrest and handcuffing. The organisers stressed on the issue of safety while conducting the various trainings sessions. As a follow up to the course, the EUPOL COPPS' Police Adviser who delivered the training, will reinforce their presence in the districts to advise the PCP trainers to carry out their work.

EUPOL COPPS concludes training for the PCP on interviewing techniques



EUPOL COPPS concluded a three-day training for Palestinian police officers and prosecutors to enhance their capabilities when interviewing children. The training for 16 officers from the administration of Family Protection Unit and five prosecutors was conducted in

Jericho and Hebron. The Mission advisers and two Norwegian training experts delivered the training which tackled many issues including preventing and investigating cases involving crimes against children and crimes perpetrated through the use of technology, like mobiles or computers. EUPOL COPPS and the Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) agreed to hold a similar

session in February, to involve more officers and prosecutors. In 2015, EUPOL COPPS set up in Hebron police district a child interview room and equipped it with specialized devices for the purpose of interviewing vulnerable victims of crime. The PCP established family protection and juvenile units in order to combat domestic violence.

EUPOL COPPS is committed to provide technical assistance to Palestinian counterparts. This month the focus was on the kind of techniques the investigators have to adopt when interviewing children.

EUPOL COPPS and UNDP organize a Workshop for Palestinian Police

EUPOL COPPS and UNDP organized a two-day workshop for 50 Palestinian Civil Police Officers in Ramallah. The aim of the event was to get the inputs of the participants to draft the disciplinary manual and the list of violations to develop the disciplinary system and penalties for the Palestinian Civil Police with the expert support of the Ac-

countability Advisors from EUPOL COPPS and in partnership with UNDP. The complaints system and the disciplinary regulations will contribute to greater transparency and accountability in the PCP. The complaints mechanism currently being established will ensure that complaints from individuals about PCP officers which al-

legedly have committed a wrong-doing will be duly investigated.



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