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To
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Dear Prof. Merlone,

3rd conference of the ECTC Advisory Network on terrorism and propaganda

Europol hosted the third conference of the ECTC Advisory Network on terrorism and propaganda on 9 and 10 April 2019, which drew more than 250 participants from a wide range of backgrounds, including representatives of the European Union, the United Nations and other international organisations, academic institutes and law enforcement from the EU Member States and beyond.

The unanimously positive feedback received from participants demonstrates that the event was a success, particularly with regard to the topics discussed and the opportunities for direct exchange and debate.

This achievement would not have been possible without your valuable contribution, and I would like to thank you, on behalf of Europol, for your participation in the conference and, in particular, for providing a workshop on social network analysis to some of my operational analysts.

The increasing complexity of terrorism investigations has made close cooperation between academic researchers of a variety of disciplines, private partners and law enforcement a prerequisite for successfully protecting our societies. Europol, via the European Counter-Terrorism Centre, will continue its commitment to foster the exchange between academic research and law enforcement practitioners.

We hope to continue this fruitful collaboration with you in the future.

Yours sincerely,



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Head of the European Counter Terrorism Centre (ECTC)

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