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Item 4: Matters pertaining to the Review of the Implementation of the UNTOC

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Overview

- Status of the Review Mechanism
- The Role of the Focal Point
- The Review of the EU
- Observations



Status of the Review Mechanism

- Nearly 4 years into the process, not a single review has been concluded.
- Only 73 out of 189 reviews are advancing.
- Missing nomination of Focal Points is affecting 67 reviews.
- 70% of the reviews need to be concluded for a group to advance to the next cluster.

Mechanism for the Review of the Implementation of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto

COMPENDIUM OF BASIC DOCUMENTS



The Role of the Focal Point

- **First essential step of the review process (para 18 PaRs)**
- **Who should be nominated?**
- **Role of the Focal Point**
- **Missing Focal Points**
- **Para 18, second sentence**

18. Each State party shall appoint a focal point to coordinate its participation in the review, and make this information available on the knowledge management portal known as Sharing Electronic Resources and Laws on Crime (SHERLOC). **In the case that a State party has not appointed a focal point by the time of the drawing of the lots referred to in paragraph 28, all communications will be submitted to its permanent representative, who shall act as temporary focal point.**



The Review of the EU

- EU in Group 2, started in Nov. 2021
- Reviewers: Austria, St. Kitts & Nevis
- Preliminary Consultation in December 2021
- Deadline for Cluster 1: Nov. 2023
- Status: self-assessment checklist
- Main challenges



Observations

- **Focal Points**
- **Secretariat support, funding**
- **Absence of country visits**
- **Self-assessment questionnaire**
- **RevMod**
- **Languages**
- **Threshold to advance to the next cluster: 70% (para 10 PaRs)**





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