



## EUPOL COPPS provides 30,000 evidence bags to Palestinian Civil Police

EUPOLCOPPS provided 30,000 evidence bags to Criminal Investigation Departments of the PCP in all West Bank districts. The bags would help CID, Investigation and Anti Narcotics departments better handle investigation. EUPOL COPPS Police advisors have conducted training sessions to their Palestinian counterparts on best ways to use the bags. The evidence bags are designed to properly seize evidence on crime scene or during conducting searches. The new bags would raise the competence of the PCP and would guarantee sound criminal proceedings.



## TONFA training delivered to three PCP departments

EUPOL COPPS delivered a training performed by three PCP components using the Police Side Handle Baton, called commonly TONFA. The goal of this training action is to build a comprehensive Tonfa training curricula and to uniform the techniques in PCP, for Special Police Forces (SPF), Prison and the Jericho Police Training Center (JPTC). The Tonfa is an intermediate weapon and is reserved to a certain elite among the police officers. PCP Special Police Forces (SPF) was the first entity using this device. Jail personals followed recently and now JPTC has 2 trainers able to spread out the curriculum to all PCP personnel who needs this tool in their daily tasks.



## Palestinian Civil Police participates in a study trip to Spain

Brigadier Rashid Hamdan, chief of PCP Assistant for Logistics Affairs and another two staff member paid a visit to the Central Police Administration and Logistics Department in Madrid and the Spanish National Police Logistics Centre in Moratalaz, near Madrid. The delegation got the opportunity to learn from their Spanish counterparts about best practices on many logistical issues such as warehouse management regarding procurement, shipping, stocking and distribution, fleet and equipment management and control. The study trip, organised by EUPOL COPPS, was funded by Technical Assistance and Information Exchange (TAIEX).



## EUPOL COPPS promotes Police-Prosecution Cooperation

The Mission continues to promote police-prosecution cooperation. The Mission Prosecution team, accompanied by the Mission police experts, participated in a joint police-prosecution coordination workshop in Tulkarem, in the northern West Bank. During the workshop, Mission advisers delivered a lecture on the Automated Fingerprint Identification System-AFIS to Palestinian senior police and prosecution experts. AFIS is a bilateral German funded project to the Palestinian Civil Police (PCP) which was officially handed over to the Palestinian Authority Ministry of Interior last January.



## PCP accountability Team Kickoff Meeting

The PCP Accountability Team, comprising of officers from the main oversight units of the PCP, assembled for the first time during the month of February to discuss the implementation of the Palestinian/EUPOL COPPS/UNDP joint programme signed on December 01, 2011. The first activity for this team will be a high level workshop on 'Strengthening Police Accountability in Palestine' to be held at the end of March in Ramallah.



## Palestinian Judges and prosecutors on anti-corruption visit to Finland

EUPOL COPPS has coordinated a visit of six Palestinian prosecutors and judges from the Anti-Corruption Commission and the Criminal Crimes Courts to Finland in the framework of the joint programme with UNDP on accountability, anti-corruption and civilian oversight. The participants paid an official visit to the Finish Supreme and District courts as well as the Attorney General's Office and were briefed on case preparation matters. EUPOL COPPS continues to be the main provider of support to the Palestinian institutions tackling corruption.

