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### **Meeting between EuroCOP President Heinz Kiefer and Interior Minister of the Slovak Republic in Bratislava on 30 March 2006**

On 30 March 2006 EuroCOP President Heinz Kiefer will travel to Bratislava for a meeting with the new Interior Minister of the Slovak Republic, Martin Pado.

The purpose of the meeting is to follow up on the implementation of an agreement reached in December 2005 between the EuroCOP President and the then acting Interior Minister, Vladimir Palko. The agreement contained important provisions to decrease tensions between the Interior Ministry and the Police Union in Slovakia that had led to a breakdown in the relationship between the interior ministry and the Police Union in Slovakia at the end of 2005.

'We are happy to see that the situation in Slovakia has improved significantly since December and I do hope that I will be able to discuss remaining points in a constructive manner,' says Mr Kiefer.

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