

JHA Council Discusses Internal Security Implications of Drones

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At the [Council meeting on 8 December 2025](#), the Home Affairs Ministers of EU Member States discussed common law enforcement measures to address the malicious use of drones. Possible EU actions could include better coordination of anti-drone activities, harmonisation of anti-drone systems standards, and increased funding in research and innovation.

In preparation of the meeting, the Danish Council Presidency circulated a [paper outlining the internal security implications of drones](#), following several recent incidents involving "Unmanned Aircraft Systems" (UAS) that threatened public spaces and critical infrastructure across Europe. The paper also provided an overview of the instruments in place at the EU level, such as the Counter-drone Expert Group (C-UASG), the establishment of a "Counter-Drone Centre of Excellence" within the Joint Research Centre, and the planned extension of the counter-drone training for law enforcement to other security authorities and private sector stakeholders. The Danish Council Presidency referred to plans for the new Multiannual Financial Framework to provide additional funding for "the development and deployment of European civilian, dual-use and defence drone and counter-drone solutions". It also highlighted projects led by Frontex and Europol, harnessing the potential of UAS technologies for law enforcement and border management, and to mitigate the security risks posed by their illicit use.

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