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from :	General Secretariat of the Council
to:	COREPER/Member States meeting within the Council
No. prev. docs:	14005/11 SIRIS 85 COMIX 546
	6140/13 SIRIS 15 COMIX 74 + ADD 1
Subject :	Management report on the implementation of the C.SIS installation and operation budget for 2011

1. The C.SIS Financial Regulation (SCH/Com-ex (93) 16 rev. 2 and SCH/Com-ex (97) 35), as amended by Council Decisions 2007/472/EC of 25 June 2007¹, 2008/328/EC of 18 April 2008² and 2009/914/EC of 30 November 2009³, provides that the French Republic must submit the document required for approval of the accounts for the financial year. Such approval is the equivalent of a final discharge for the French Republic.
2. At its meeting on 15 February 2013 the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) delivered a favourable opinion on the management report for 2011, as set out in document 6140/13 SIRIS 15 COMIX 74 + ADD 1. There are no reservations pending on this document.

¹ OJ L 179, 7.7.2007, p. 50.

² OJ L 113, 25.4.2008, p. 21.

³ OJ L 323, 10.12.2009, p. 6.

3. Pursuant to Article 2 of the Schengen Protocol, "the Council will substitute itself for the Executive Committee established by the Schengen agreements".
4. However, in respect of the financing of expenditure relating to the SIS, the Council is deemed to have decided that such expenditure shall be charged to the Member States. It is therefore for the Member States concerned – and not the Council – to approve the accounts.
5. **COREPER is accordingly invited to request the Member States concerned, meeting within the Council, to approve the management report concerning the implementation of the C.SIS installation and operation budget for 2011, as set out in 6140/13 SIRIS 15 COMIX 74 + ADD 1.**

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