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| From : | Council Security Committee (Information Assurance) |
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| To : | COREPER/Council |
| Subject : | Recommendation to the Council concerning the approval of a second-party |
| | evaluated cryptographic product |

1. The Council Security Rules (Article 10(6)) require that "Where the protection of EU Classified Information (EUCI) is provided by cryptographic products, such products shall be approved as follow:

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the confidentiality of information classified SECRET UE/EU SECRET and above shall be protected by cryptographic products approved by the Council as Crypto Approval Authority (CAA), upon recommendation by the Security Committee..."

2. The Information Assurance sub-area of the Council Security Committee has confirmed that the prerequisites for such an approval, as defined in Security Rules Annex IV, Paragraph 26 are fulfilled by the Dutch cryptographic product Sectra Tiger XS/XO, firmware version 3.4.

3. In the light of the above the Information Assurance sub-area of the Council Security Committee recommends, subject to confirmation by the Permanent Representatives Committee, that the Council approve the use of the Dutch cryptographic product

Sectra Tiger XS/XO, firmware version 3.4

for the protection of EUCI up to and including SECRET UE/EU SECRET.

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