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To:	Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

Subject:	Submission of information on the final accounts of the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice
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Delegations will find attached information regarding the final accounts of the European Agency for the Operational Management of Large-Scale IT Systems in the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice for the year 2012.

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Mr Uwe Corsepius
Secretary-General
Council of the European Union

Subject: Submission of information on the final accounts of the European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice

Dear Mr Corsepius,

In accordance with Art 33 (7) of the Regulation (EU) No 1077/2011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2011, establishing a European Agency for the operational management of large-scale IT systems in the area of freedom, security and justice (eu-LISA), each year, by 1 July, the Executive Director shall send the final accounts of the previous year, together with the opinion of the Management Board, to the budgetary authority, the Commission's Accounting Officer, the Court of Auditors as well as the countries associated with the implementation, application and development of the Schengen acquis and EURODAC-related measures.

According to its establishing Regulation, eu-LISA took up its responsibilities set out in Articles 3 to 9 from 1 December 2012. The European Commission, Directorate General Home Affairs (DG HOME), as the parent DG, had been responsible for the establishment and initial operation of the Agency until the latter acquired the financial autonomy to implement its own budget, on 22nd of May 2013.

As long as the accounts of DG HOME were used for the set-up of the Agency, in 2012 eu-LISA did not have separate accounts. The request to open the Agency's account was sent out on 12 February 2013 to ING Bank, Brussels, and the confirmation of the

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opening was received on 25 April 2013. The migration of financial data from the account of DG HOME into the account of eu-LISA was launched on 22nd of May 2013.

Therefore, as it was not financially autonomous and didn't have its own accounts in 2012, Art 33(7) of the establishing Regulation is not applicable for the accounts 2012. eu-LISA will provide the information required by Art 33(7) for the accounts 2013 and beyond¹.

A similar letter has been sent to:

- Mr Alain Lamassoure, Chair of the Committee on Budgets, European Parliament
- Mr Michael Theurer, Chair of the Committee on Budgetary Control, European Parliament
- Mr Juan Fernando López Aguilar, Chair of the LIBE Committee, European Parliament
- Mr Rafael Fernández-Pita Y Gonzalez, Director-General, Directorate-General D - Justice and Home Affairs, Council of the European Union
- Mr Manfred Kraff, Deputy Director-General of Directorate-General Budget, Accounting Officer of the European Commission
- Mr Stefano Manservigi, Director-General of Directorate-General Home Affairs
- Mr Louis Galea, Dean, Chamber IV - Revenue, research and internal policies, and institutions and bodies of the European Union, European Court of Auditors
- Mr Mark Crisp, Director, Chamber IV - Revenue, research and internal policies, and institutions and bodies of the European Union, European Court of Auditors
- Mr Beat Meister, representative of Switzerland in the Management Board of eu-LISA
- Mr Jonas Petursson, representative of Iceland in the Management Board of eu-LISA
- Mr Pascal Schafhauser, representative of Lichtenstein in the Management Board of eu-LISA
- Ms Lise Nilsen, representative of Norway in the Management Board of eu-LISA.

Yours faithfully,

Krum Garkov
Executive Director


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¹ As in 2013 eu-LISA has not been financially autonomous and didn't have its own accounts before 22nd May 2013, the stipulations of Article 33 with regard to the Agency's provisional accounts, report on budgetary and financial management and final accounts for the budget year 2013 will be applicable without restrictions as of 22nd May 2013.