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Transmission of a draft legislative act pursuant to the third paragraph of Article 4 of Protocol (No 2) to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union on the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality
– Initiative of the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, the Republic of Estonia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Republic of Austria, the Republic of Slovenia and the Kingdom of Sweden for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council regarding the European Investigation Order in criminal matters
[ref. 2010/0817 (COD) - 9288/10 COPEN 117 EUROJUST 49 EJM 13 PARLNAT 13 CODEC 384 + ADD 1 (Explanatory Memorandum) + ADD 2 + ADD 2 COR 1 (de) + ADD 2 REV 1 (mt) (Detailed Statement) + ADD 3 (Financial Statement)]

The Council hereby informs you that all language versions of the abovementioned draft legislative act have been transmitted to the national Parliaments.

The procedure set out in Protocol (No 2) on the application of the principles of subsidiarity and proportionality can therefore be opened.

In view of the Parliamentary recess, the period of eight weeks for sending a reasoned opinion to the Presidents of the European Parliament, the Council and the Commission in accordance with the provisions of Article 6(1) of the aforementioned Protocol (No 2) will run from 30 August 2010 and will end on 24 October 2010.

Please note that the draft legislative act is based on Article 82(1)(a) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and is presented by a group of Member States constituting (at least) a quarter of the Member States of the European Union, in conformity with Article 76(b) of that Treaty.

We would ask you to send your reasoned opinions in future by e-mail to **dri.parlnat@consilium.europa.eu¹**.

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