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INITIATION OF WRITTEN PROCEDURE

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Subject:	Written procedure for the approval of the action plan for the connection of the SIS II converter to the SISNET

As explained in the meeting of the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS-TECH) on 11 July, it was recently discovered that in the SIS II project a number of technical actions had to be undertaken for the connection of the SIS II converter to the Member States' systems, the execution of which was considered urgent by different parties. The working party therefore asked that meetings be organised in order to discuss all outstanding issues in relation to the SIS II migration. As a result of an informal meeting held on 16 July, document 12705/12 SIS-TECH 72 COMIX 453 was drawn up.

In the meeting of the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) on 18 July, the group was informed of the budgetary expenses in Annex 4 and proposed to approve the document in silent procedure ending 20 July and under the condition of an agreement by the Working Party for

Schengen Matters (SIS-TECH), also in written procedure.

Would delegations please state whether they:

1. agree to the use of the written procedure
and
2.
 - a) confirm the statements and requirements of the last meeting of the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS-TECH), synthesized in Annex 1;
 - b) approve the solution and the related constraints presented in Annex 2;
 - c) approve the planning proposed in Annex 3;
 - d) approve the related expense of **46 921.95 €** (VAT included), presented in Annex 4 of document 12705/12 SIS-TECH 72 COMIX 453.

Please answer "YES" or "NO" to each of those questions; you may also reply "ABSTAIN" on the second question. In case you do not reply by the deadline set below, we assume that your delegation answers "YES" to all questions.

Replies should reach the General Secretariat of the Council by **15:00 on Friday 20 July 2012**,
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