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Subject: Approval of the Grouping of the SIRENE Functional Test by simplified written procedure ("silent procedure")

At its meeting of 13 September 2012, the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) discussed the proposed new grouping for the SIRENE Functional tests as set out in DS 1596/12. It was agreed that the organisation of the new groups for the SIRENE Functional Tests would be endorsed by means of a silent procedure in order to allow preparations for the upcoming SIRENE Functional tests to continue and avoid any delays to the SIS II project.

Delegations are hereby invited to indicate whether they agree:

1. to use the simplified written procedure ("silent procedure");
and
2. to approve the grouping of the SIRENE Functional Test as set out in 13903/12 SIRIS 77
SIS-TECH 84 COMIX 505

Please answer "YES" or "NO" to each question. Delegations which do not reply before the deadline set out below shall be considered to have answered "YES" to both questions.

Replies should reach the General Secretariat of the Council by **17:00 on Friday 21 September 2012**, marked for Ms Susana Costa,

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