

COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

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SIRIS 76 COMIX 504

OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

of:	Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE / Mixed Committee EU-Iceland/Norway and Switzerland/Liechtenstein)
on:	13 September 2012
Subject:	Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as set out in CM 4188/1/12 REV 1, with the addition of the following items under Any Other Business (see item 11 below).

2. Report by the Presidency

The Presidency reported on relevant subjects discussed at the meetings of the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS-TECH) on 11 September 2012.

The Presidency also reported on the results of other relevant meetings, namely, the SIRENE Functional Test Working Group and SIRENE Training Committee of 12 September 2012 and GPMB meetings of July, August and September 2012.

3. Financial Aspects

The Working Party adopted 13341/12 SIS-TECH 74 COMIX 476 on the update of the C.SIS 1+R2 firewall configuration for the SIS II Converter connection.

4. SIS II

State of play

The Working Party received a brief update from the Commission on the progress of the SIS II project, focusing on the results of the comprehensive tests and the ongoing activities related to preparations for the migration.

5. SIRENE Manual for SIS II – state of play

The Commission made a brief report on the latest developments on the SIRENE Manual for SIS II.

6. SIRENE Functional Test – state of play

After some discussion the Presidency concluded that a revised version of the Grouping for the SIRENE Functional Tests should be adopted in the next few days by silent procedure (see CM 4438/12).

7. Detailed evolution of the SIS database according to data mapping and cleansing activities

The Working Party took note of the ongoing activities as set out in 8770/3/12 REV 3 SISTECH 39 SIRIS 39 COMIX 239.

8. Training issues

The Presidency presented 13637/12 SIRIS 74 COMIX 494 and reminded delegations that they should send information to the General Secretariat of the Council on the updated lists of SIRENE Training Member States Contact Points and SIRENE trainers.

The Presidency also informed the Working Party of the main conclusions of the discussion held at the informal meeting of the SIRENE Training Committee Working Group, on 12 September 2012.

9. Recommendations and outcomes for better use of SIS and SIRENE for the protection of children. Unaccompanied minors.

IT presented 13247/12 SIRIS 71 COMIX 471 concerning a proposal to amend part 4.2 of the Catalogue of recommendations for the correct application of the Schengen acquis and best practices (Schengen Information System). Member States were invited to send their comments to the General Secretariat of the Council by 28 October 2012.

10. Heads of SIRENE meeting

DK presented a report on the Heads of SIRENE meeting held in Copenhagen on 6-8 June 2012, as set out in 13635/12 SIRIS 73 COMIX 493, focusing on the main results and conclusions of the debate.

The Presidency gave additional information on the Heads of SIRENE meeting to be held in Limassol from 10 to 12 October 2012.

11. Any other business

- **a)** The Presidency presented DS 1490/3/12 concerning the SIRENE II Functional Connectivity Tests. The document was adopted.
- **b)** IE asked the remaining delegations to designate national experts, on a voluntary basis, to lead the SIS/SIRENE evaluation mission to Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia in June 2013, as set out in DS 1590/12.
- c) Due to time constraints the Presidency proposed that the DE Delegation should present its request to the Member States concerning the European Arrest Warrant at a future meeting of the Working Party.

12. Confirmation by the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) of the decisions prepared in the Mixed Committee

The Mixed Committee was informed of the decisions taken by the Working Party.

Agenda item	Documents adopted
3	13341/12 SIS-TECH 74 COMIX 476
11 a)	DS 1490/3/12 REV 3