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from: Mr Jan STORE, Permanent Representative of Finland to the European Union
dated: 27 September 2012
to: Mr Rafael FERNANDEZ-PITA, Director General, DG D, General Secretariat of
the Council of the European Union

Subject: Notification by Finland according to Article 31.2 of the Council Framework
decision of 13 June 2002 on the European Arrest Warrant and the surrender
procedures between Member States

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed on behalf of Finland the common Nordic statement as regards Article 31.2 of the Council Framework Decision of 13 June 2002 on the European Arrest Warrant and the surrender procedures between Member States.

(Complimentary close)

(s.) Jan STORE

Finland hereby notifies the General Secretariat of the Council and the Commission on behalf of Finland of the common Nordic statement as regards Article 31.2 of the Council Framework Decision of 13 June 2002 on the European Arrest Warrant and the surrender procedures between Member States.

Notification according to Article 31.2 of the Council Framework Decision of 13 June 2002 on the European Arrest Warrant and the surrender procedures between Member States

On 15 December 2005, Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden signed the Convention on the surrender procedures between the Nordic countries (the Nordic Arrest Warrant). The Convention will enter into force 16 October 2012.

The Convention stipulates a closer cooperation between the Nordic countries than the Council Framework Decision on the European Arrest Warrant. Therefore, the Convention will be used in surrender procedures between Denmark, Finland and Sweden instead of the Council Framework Decision on the European Arrest Warrant.

Finland has applied the new Nordic Extradition Act (1383/2007) which is based on the Convention from 1 January 2008.

(Complimentary close)

(s.) Anna-Maja HENRIKSSON
Minister of Justice, Finland
