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from :	General Secretariat of the Council
to :	COREPER/Member States meeting within the Council

No. prev. docs :	9320/12 SIRIS 27 COMIX 277
	12224/12 SIRIS 59 ENFOPOL 221 EUROJUST 61 COMIX 429
	14985/12 SIRIS 89 COMIX 570

Subject :	Presentation of the SISNET accounts 2011
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1. Article 48 of the SISNET Financial Regulation as established by Council Decision 2000/265/EC of 27 March 2000 on the establishment of a financial regulation governing the budgetary aspects of the management by the Secretary-General of the Council, of contracts concluded in his name, on behalf of certain Member States, relating to the installation and the functioning of the communication infrastructure for the Schengen environment, "SISNET"¹, as subsequently amended by Council Decision 2000/664/EC of 23 October 2000², Council Decision 2003/171/EC of 27 February 2003³, Council Decision 2007/155/EC of 5 March 2007⁴, Council Decision 2008/319/EC of 14 April 2008⁵, Council Decision 2008/670/JHA⁶ of 24 July 2008 and Council Decision 2009/915/EC of 30 November 2009⁷, provides that – following auditing of the accounts by the Court of Auditors – the Member States referred to in Article 25, meeting within the Council, are to give a discharge to the Secretary-General in respect of the budget's implementation.

¹ OJ L 85, 6.4.2000, p. 12.
² OJ L 278, 31.10.2000, p. 24.
³ OJ L 69, 13.3.2003, p. 25.
⁴ OJ L 68, 8.3.2007, p. 5.
⁵ OJ L 109, 19.4.2008, p. 30.
⁶ OJ L 220, 15.8.2008, p. 19.
⁷ OJ L 323, 10.12.2009, p. 9.

2. The revenue and expenditure accounts and the balance sheets for 2011 are set out in 9320/12 SIRIS 27 COMIX 277. The Court of Auditors' report can be found in 12224/12 SIRIS 59 ENFOPOL 221 EUROJUST 61 COMIX 429.
3. The above documents were examined by the Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) which, at its meetings on 18 July 2012 and 15 November 2012, accepted them without comment and agreed that they should be submitted to the Member States meeting within the Council.
4. **Accordingly, COREPER is invited to submit to the Member States, referred to in Article 25 of the abovementioned Financial Regulation, meeting within the Council, the revenue and expenditure accounts, the balance sheets and the Court of Auditors' report, in order for them to give the Secretary-General, on the basis of Article 48 in fine of that Financial Regulation, a discharge in respect of the implementation of the budget for 2011.**
