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Subject:	"Prüm Decisions" - Presidency progress report

1. The "Prüm Decisions" (Council Decision 2008/615/JHA and Council Decision 2008/616/JHA) are aimed at stepping up cooperation among law enforcement authorities, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime. Against the current backdrop of internal security, increasing attention is drawn to cross-border information exchange. In this context, the advantages of the "Prüm Decisions" and the need to get fully operational across Europe have become more visible.
2. In accordance with its mandate to monitor the implementation of the "Prüm Decisions", the Working Party on Information Exchange and Data Protection (DAPIX) discussed on 13 June 2016 a Presidency report on progress made on the file in the first semester 2016, particularly with regard to the issues of automated data exchange and best practices for its daily application.
3. COREPER is invited to take note of the Presidency progress report as set out in 9823/1/16 REV 1.