



**Brussels, 5 December 2016
(OR. en)**

15025/16

**SIRIS 164
COMIX 790**

OUTCOME OF PROCEEDINGS

From: Working Party for Schengen Matters (SIS/SIRENE) - Mixed Committee
(EU-Iceland/Norway/Switzerland/Liechtenstein)

On: 24 November 2016

Subject: Summary of discussions

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda set out in CM 4425/1/16 REV 1 was adopted with the addition of an item under AOB.

2. Report by the Presidency

The Presidency reported on the relevant issues addressed at different meetings, including:

- the Justice and Home Affairs Council meeting of 13 and 14 October 2016, which adopted a proposal for a Council recommendation addressing the deficiencies identified in the evaluation of Liechtenstein's application of the Schengen acquis in the field of the Schengen Information System;
- the Foreign Affairs Council (Trade) meeting of 11 November 2016, which adopted an implementing decision setting out a recommendation allowing for the prolongation of temporary internal border controls in exceptional circumstances;

- the Justice and Home Affairs Council meeting of 18 November 2016, in which the Presidency gave an overview of progress, since their endorsement in June 2016, on implementing the actions of the Roadmap on information exchange and interoperability; the Council also endorsed the two-track approach regarding the legislative proposals for SIS II consisting of a first package of legislative proposals on issues where consensus exists on 7 December 2016, and further proposals based on the outcome of the HLEG work by June 2017;
- the COREPER meeting of 17 November 2016, which approved the mandate to continue negotiations with the EP regarding the amendment of the SBC to allow for systematic checks at the border;
- the Working Party for Schengen Matters (Schengen Evaluation) meeting of 22 September 2016, which agreed with the proposal for a Council recommendation addressing the deficiencies identified in the evaluation of Liechtenstein's application of the Schengen acquis in the field of the Schengen Information System; and where the Commission presented an assessment of Austria, Poland and Belgium's Action Plans to remedy the deficiencies identified in the 2015 evaluation on the application of the Schengen acquis in the field of the Schengen Information System;
- the adoption by the Commission, on 16 November 2016, of the Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a European Travel Information and Authorisation System - ETIAS - making it possible to gather information on visa-exempt third country nationals in advance of their arrival at the EU external borders (land, air and sea).

3. **Closure and reimbursement of the SISNET Budget (VISION)**

The WP took note of information about the reimbursement of all outstanding contributions and interests and the closure of the SISNET Budget (VISION), as set out in 13476/16 SIRIS 140 VISA 335 COMIX 677.

4. Strengthening SIRENE Cooperation in the field of missing persons

The Presidency presented 14665/16 SIRIS 161 JUSTCIV 306 COMIX 768 with the overview of the delegations' comments following the request for contributions on the subject of SIRENE cooperation in the field of missing persons. The Presidency informed the WP that an addendum to 11030/16 would be made, with all the replies received from delegations.

5. Enhancing the fight against terrorism - Article 36 alerts

The Presidency presented 14651/16 SIRIS 160 COMIX 766 with a summary of replies received from delegations in order to obtain more detailed information regarding practical use of Article 36 alerts in the light of proposal for new measures to be included in the SIS as regards the fight against the terrorism.

6. Extradition and surrender

The Presidency made a presentation regarding this issue on the basis of the comments received from delegations in reply to the request set out in 13210/16. The Presidency informed the WP that a document with a summary of all the comments received would be drafted and presented to Member States soon.

7. Follow-up of the roadmap to enhance information exchange and information management including interoperability solutions in the Justice and Home Affairs area

On the basis of 13554/1/16 REV 1, the Presidency gave a state of play of the actions taken regarding the implementation and follow-up of the roadmap to enhance information exchange and information management, including interoperability solutions in the Justice and Home Affairs area.

8. Coordination mechanism for the implementation of EU and UN sanctions: state of play

The GSC informed the WP of the state of play and the next steps of putting into practice the coordination mechanism for the implementation of EU and UN sanctions.

9. Information on the Heads of SIRENE meeting in Slovakia

The WP took note of the information provided by the Presidency.

10. Presentation of the incoming Maltese Presidency

The WP took note of the information provided by MT.

11. AOB

CZ took the floor to present an approach to delegations on entering new categories of objects in SIS II.

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

The GSC summarised the conclusions of the meeting.
