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#### 'I/A' ITEM NOTE

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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee (Part 2)/Council
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Subject:	Draft Council Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to Vehicle Registration Data (VRD) in Croatia

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1. The Working Group on Information Exchange and Data Protection (DAPIX) approved at its meeting on 1 December 2016 the evaluation visit report on vehicle registration data (VRD) exchange for Croatia (14620/16 JAI 961 DAPIX 204 CRIMORG 149 ENFOPOL 414 ENFOCUSTOM 192) as well as the overall report (14621/16 JAI 962 DAPIX 205 CRIMORG 150 ENFOPOL 415 ENFOCUSTOM 193) based on the questionnaire, an evaluation visit and a pilot run.
2. At the DAPIX meeting of 1 December 2016 it was acknowledged that each Member State bound by Decision 2008/615/JHA agrees that the conditions are fulfilled for the Council to conclude that for the purposes of automated data exchange with regard to VRD, Croatia has fully implemented the general provisions on data protection of Chapter 6 of Decision 2008/615/JHA.

3. Consequently, the Council adopted on 19 December 2016 the draft Council Conclusions on the implementation of the general provisions on data protection of Chapter 6 of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA ("Prüm Decisions") concerning Croatia with regard to automated exchange of VRD as set out in 5070/17 JAI 5 DAPIX 4 CRIMORG 1 ENFOPOL 9 ENFOCUSTOM 3.
4. As required by the applicable Treaty provisions, the Council decided on 13 February 2017 to consult the European Parliament on the draft Council Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to VRD in Croatia, as revised by the lawyer-linguists and set out in 5318/17 JAI 34 DAPIX 26 CRIMORG 16 ENFOPOL 34 ENFOCUSTOM 19.
5. The European Parliament gave its opinion on 17 May 2017.
6. *On this basis, COREPER is requested:*
  - *to submit the overall report (14621/16 JAI 962 DAPIX 205 CRIMORG 150 ENFOPOL 415 ENFOCUSTOM 193) to the Council, and*
  - *to invite the Council to adopt as an "A" item on its agenda the draft Council Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to VRD in Croatia (5318/17 JAI 34 DAPIX 26 CRIMORG 16 ENFOPOL 34 ENFOCUSTOM 19).*