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From: Pilvi-Sisko VIERROS-VILLENEUVE, Permanent Representative,  
Permanent Representation of Finland to the European Union

On: 16 April 2015

To: Mr Rafael Fernández-Pita y González, Director-General, Council of the  
European Union

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Subject: Notification on the appointment of the Finnish National Member of Eurojust

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Dear Sir,

We have the pleasure to hereby transmit the notice of appointment of the Finnish National Member of Eurojust.

(Complimentary close)

(s.) Pilvi-Sisko VIERROS-VILLENEUVE

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OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTOR GENERAL

**NOTICE**

7 April 2015

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**Appointment of the Finnish National Member of Eurojust**

The Office of the Prosecutor General of Finland would like to inform the Secretary General of the Council of the European Union and Eurojust that the Government of Finland has appointed District Prosecutor, Ms Piia Vottonen as Finnish National Member of Eurojust from 1 August 2015 to 31 July 2019.

In accordance with the Article 9a paragraph 3 of the Council Decision 2009/426/JHA of 16 December 2008 on the strengthening of Eurojust and amending Decision 2002/187/JHA setting up Eurojust with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious crime, the Office of the Prosecutor General of Finland hereby wishes to notify the Secretary General of the Council of the European Union that the Finnish National Member holds position as public prosecutor in Finland, and has nationwide prosecutorial powers in Finland.

The National Member has full competence to act in relation to foreign judicial authorities to the same extent as any Finnish public prosecutor. They are *inter alia* judicial authority as referred to in Article 24 of the 1959 European Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance.

In urgent cases the National Member is competent in Finland to decide on the execution of requests for legal assistance, on the performance of pretrial investigations, and to authorise and coordinate controlled deliveries. In cases when a joint investigation team involves Finland, and for which Community funding is provided, the National Member participates in the joint investigation team.

They are also regarded as competent authority for the purposes of the receipt and transmission of information between Eurojust and OLAF as prescribed in Article 26 paragraph 5 of the above mentioned decision.

Yours faithfully,

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