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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Permanent Representatives Committee/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 Latvia

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1. The Working Group on Information Exchange and Data Protection (DAPIX) approved at its meeting on 2 September 2015 the evaluation visit report on vehicle registration data (VRD) exchange for Latvia (10967/15 JAI 570 DAPIX 128 CRIMORG 79 ENFOPOL 210 ENFOCUSTOM 75) as well as the overall report (10968/15 JAI 571 DAPIX 129 CRIMORG 80 ENFOPOL 211 ENFOCUSTOM 76) based on the questionnaire, an evaluation visit and a pilot run.
2. At the DAPIX meeting of 2 September 2015 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, Latvia has fully implemented the general provisions on data protection of Chapter 6 of Decision 2008/615/JHA.

3. Consequently, the Council adopted on 8 October 2015 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 Latvia with regard to automated exchange of VRD as set out in 13050/15 JAI 755 DAPIX 178 CRIMORG 102 ENFOPOL 298 ENFOCUSTOM 104.
4. As required by the applicable Treaty provisions, the Council decided on 11 November 2015 to consult the European Parliament on the draft Council Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to VRD in Latvia, as finalised by the Legal/Linguistic Experts and set out in 13060/15 JAI 756 DAPIX 179 CRIMORG 104 ENFOPOL 301 ENFOCUSTOM 106.
5. The European Parliament gave its opinion on 20 January 2016.
6. *On this basis, COREPER is requested*
  - *to submit the overall report (10968/15) 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 Latvia (13060/15).*