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To: Permanent Representatives Committee/Council

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Subject: Roadmap to enhance information exchange and information management including interoperability solutions in the Justice and Home Affairs area:  
- Update following Council Conclusions on interoperability

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1. At the initiative of the Netherlands Presidency, the Council at its meeting of 9-10 June 2016 endorsed the Roadmap to enhance information exchange and information management including interoperability solutions in the Justice and Home Affairs area (9368/1/16 REV 1).
2. In accordance with the Council Conclusions on the way forward to improve information exchange and ensure the interoperability of EU information systems of 8 June 2017, the Presidency prepared an update to the Roadmap as a comprehensive tool within the Council.

3. The updated Roadmap incorporates the recommendations of the High-Level Expert Group on Information Systems and Interoperability in line with the above mentioned Conclusions, the actions of the updated Information Management Strategy (IMS) for EU internal security, and all other relevant actions contributing to the guidance, implementation and monitoring of various activities aimed at improving information management and the interoperability of EU information systems in the area of Justice and Home Affairs with a coherent approach seeking synergy and avoiding overlaps. The structure of the Roadmap was also slightly updated to reflect all the actions in a structured manner.
4. The updated Roadmap was discussed at the meetings of DAPIX: Friends of the Presidency on interoperability of EU information systems on 5 and 27 October 2017 as well as at the meeting of the Support Group of the Standing Committee on Operational Cooperation on Internal Security (COSI) on 10 November 2017, and was revised taking into account Member States' comments. COSI endorsed the proposal to update the Roadmap and the overview of the implementation thereof at its meeting on 21 November 2017 with the view of submitting it to COREPER and the Council for endorsement.
5. ***On that basis, COREPER is invited to submit the proposal for updating the Roadmap together with the overview of the implementation of the Roadmap, as set out in 14750/17, to the Council for endorsement.***

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