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From:	Ms Aingeal O'Donoghue, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the EU
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To:	Ms Christine ROGER, Director-General, General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

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Subject:	<p>Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on the transfer of Passenger Name Record data from the EU to the Kingdom of Norway for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime</p> <p>Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and Iceland on the transfer of Passenger Name Record data from the EU to Iceland for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime</p> <p>Council Decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the transfer of Passenger Name Record data from the EU to the Swiss Confederation for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime</p> <p>– Opt-in by Ireland</p>
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Delegations will find attached a letter from the Permanent Representative of Ireland to the EU regarding the subject above.

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Ms. Christine Roger  
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15 February, 2024

Dear Director General,

I refer to the provisions of Protocol No. 21 to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice) and, in particular, Article 3.1 thereof, under which Ireland may notify the President of the Council in writing, within three months after a proposal or initiative has been presented to the Council pursuant to Title V of Part Three of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, that it wishes to take part in the adoption and application of any such proposed measure.

In that context, I wish to notify you that Ireland wishes to take part in the adoption and application of the following proposed measures;

***Recommendation for a Council decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and the Kingdom of Norway on the transfer of passenger Name Record data from the EU to the Kingdom of Norway for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime.***

***Recommendation for a Council decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and Iceland on the transfer of Passenger Name Record data from the EU to Iceland for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime.***

***Recommendation for a Council decision authorising the opening of negotiations for an agreement between the European Union and the Swiss Confederation on the transfer of Passenger Name Record data from the EU to the Swiss Confederation for the prevention, detection, investigation and prosecution of terrorist offences and serious crime.***

Yours sincerely,

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