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From:	Mrs Maja VITALJIC, Director, Ministry of Justice, Republic of Croatia
On:	2 July 2021
To:	Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General, Council of the European Union
Subject:	Council Framework Decision 2005/214/JHA of 24 February 2005 on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties - Implementation by Croatia

Dear Mr Tranholm-Mikkelsen,

<u>Pursuant to Article 2</u> of Council Framework Decision 2005/214/JHA of 24 February 2005 on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties, we hereby inform you that under national law, in the Republic of Croatia, the following authorities are competent to act in accordance with the Framework Decision:

- the authority competent for receiving decisions of foreign judicial authorities on financial penalties is the ministry competent for judicial affairs;
- 2. the judicial authorities competent for recognising decisions on financial penalties are the misdemeanour and municipal courts for the place, in the case of natural persons, where the person in question is permanently or temporarily resident, or, in the case of legal persons, where the person in question has its registered office, or where the property of said persons is located, or where they earn income;

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3. decisions imposing financial penalties are handed down by the competent court or the state administration authority conducting the misdemeanour proceedings.

The ministry's contact details are as follows:

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<u>With respect to Article 16(1)</u> of the Framework Decision, we hereby inform you that the competent judicial authority will execute decisions by foreign judicial authorities if such decisions and any supporting documents are translated into Croatian. In urgent cases, a translation into English will be accepted on condition of reciprocity.

(signed)