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

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Subject: "Prüm Decisions" - Draft Council Conclusions on the implementation of the general provisions on data protection of Chapter 6 of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA
- Evaluation of Greece with regard to automated exchange of vehicle registration data (VRD)
= Approval

1. Prior to the adoption of a Council Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange after having consulted the European Parliament, the Council adopts Conclusions acknowledging that the conditions for the launch of automated data exchange have been fulfilled.
2. The Working Party on Information Exchange and Data Protection (DAPIX) discussed at its meeting on 27 February 2018 the evaluation visit report on **vehicle registration data** exchange for **Greece** (5927/1/18 REV 1 DAPIX 27 CRIMORG 12 ENFOPOL 51 ENFOCUSTOM 22 JAI 79). DAPIX concluded (6621/18 DAPIX 52 CRIMORG 22 ENFOPOL 91 JAI 175) to discuss the minor observations in the report and to come back to finalise the evaluation as soon as **Greece** has notified the General Secretariat of the Council (GSC) to have implemented the legislation on data protection with particular regard to VRD.

3. On 29 November 2021, **Greece** notified the GSC by means of a new reply to the questionnaire on data protection (13929/21 IXIM 241 CRIMORG 136 ENFOPOL 440 ENFOCUSTOM 166 JAI 1238) to have completed the transposition of the data protection provisions of Council Decision 2008/615/JHA into national legislation.
4. The document (13929/21) has been submitted to the informal videoconference of the members of the Working Party on JHA Information Exchange (IXIM) of 2 December 2021.
5. In the same videoconference, IXIM took note of the amended implementation of VRD provisions following the recommendations made in the evaluation visit report, and approved the overall report (13930/21 IXIM 242 CRIMORG 137 ENFOPOL 441 ENFOCUSTOM 167 JAI 1239 + COR 1) based on the relevant questionnaire, an evaluation visit and a pilot run.
6. Furthermore, 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 **vehicle registration data**, **Greece** has fully implemented the general provisions on data protection of Chapter 6 of Decision 2008/615/JHA.
7. IXIM agreed on the text of the draft Council Conclusions set out in 13931/21 IXIM 243 CRIMORG 138 ENFOPOL 442 ENFOCUSTOM 168 JAI 1240.
8. *Coreper is invited to submit the draft Council Conclusions as set out in the Annex to 13931/21 IXIM 243 CRIMORG 138 ENFOPOL 442 ENFOCUSTOM 168 JAI 1240 to the Council and to suggest that it approves these draft Conclusions as an "A" item on its agenda.*