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Subject:	Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 as regards the extension of the timeframe for the establishment of the Eurojust case management system - Outcome of the European Parliament's first reading (Strasbourg, 8 to 11 September 2025)

I. INTRODUCTION

On 23 July 2025, the Permanent Representatives Committee confirmed that should the European Parliament approve the abovementioned Commission's proposal without amendments, the Council would approve the European Parliament's position.

On 10 September 2025, the Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) Javier ZARZALEJOS (EPP, ES), presented a report on behalf of LIBE, aiming at taking over the Commission proposal.

II. VOTE

The Parliament adopted its first-reading position on 10 September 2025 by taking over the Commission proposal. This position is contained in its legislative resolution.

The Council should therefore be in a position to approve the European Parliament's position as set out in the Annex hereto, thus bringing to a close the first reading for both Institutions.

The legislative act would then be adopted in the wording which corresponds to the European Parliament's position.

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Extension of the timeframe for the establishment of the Eurojust case management system

European Parliament legislative resolution of 10 September 2025 on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 as regards the extension of the timeframe for the establishment of the Eurojust case management system (COM(2025)0143 – C10-0061/2025 – 2025/0074(COD))

(Ordinary legislative procedure: first reading)

The European Parliament,

- having regard to the Commission proposal to Parliament and the Council (COM(2025)0143),
 - having regard to Article 294(2) and Article 85 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, pursuant to which the Commission submitted the proposal to Parliament (C10-0061/2025),
 - having regard to Article 294(3) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
 - having regard to the undertaking given by the Council representative by letter of 23 July 2025 to approve Parliament's position, in accordance with Article 294(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
 - having regard to Rule 60 of its Rules of Procedure,
 - having regard to the report of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (A10-0152/2025),
1. Adopts its position at first reading, hereinafter set out;
 2. Calls on the Commission to refer the matter to Parliament again if it replaces, substantially amends or intends to substantially amend its proposal;
 3. Instructs its President to forward its position to the Council, the Commission and the national parliaments.

Position of the European Parliament adopted at first reading on 10 September 2025 with a view to the adoption of Regulation (EU) 2025/... of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 as regards the extension of the timeframe for the establishment of the Eurojust case management system

THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 85 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

After transmission of the draft legislative act to the national parliaments,

Acting in accordance with the ordinary legislative procedure¹,

¹ Position of the European Parliament of 10 September 2025.

Whereas:

- (1) Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council² establishes the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust) and sets out its tasks, competence and functions.
- (2) To store all operational personal data securely, Eurojust established a case management system composed of temporary work files and an index. Through the case management system, national members of Eurojust exchange all case-related information securely and in compliance with the applicable data protection rules. Pursuant to Article 23(6) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 Eurojust is not permitted to establish any other automated data file to process operational personal data.
- (3) Regulation (EU) 2023/2131 of the European Parliament and of the Council³ amended Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 to provide the legal framework for a modernised case management system (the ‘new case management system’). The new case management system is to integrate and enable the functionalities of the European Judicial Counter-Terrorism Register and improve Eurojust’s ability to identify links between cross-border judicial proceedings against suspects of terrorist offences and information processed at Eurojust relating to other cases of serious crimes while taking full advantage of existing national and Union mechanisms for comparing biometric data.

² Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 November 2018 on the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust), and replacing and repealing Council Decision 2002/187/JHA (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 138, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1727/oj>).

³ Regulation (EU) 2023/2131 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 4 October 2023 amending Regulation (EU) 2018/1727 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Decision 2005/671/JHA, as regards digital information exchange in terrorism cases (OJ L, 2023/2131, 11.10.2023, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2131/oj>).

- (4) The deadline for setting up the new case management system is 1 December 2025 (the ‘deadline’). However, due to external factors and the complexity of the migration, Eurojust will not be able to set up the new case management system by the deadline. It is therefore necessary to allow Eurojust to continue to use the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index until the new case management system is set up.
- (5) To allow Eurojust to test and ensure the operationality and interoperability of the new case management system in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2024/903 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁴, and to migrate the data from the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index to the new case management system, it is necessary to extend the deadline.
- (6) In order to migrate the data from the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index to the new case management system and to verify the accuracy of the migrated data, Eurojust should be able to maintain the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index after the new case management system has become operational, but not beyond 1 December 2027. The extension of the deadline by two years should provide Eurojust with sufficient time to finalise the setting up of the new case management system, while limiting the period within which the duplication of operational personal data is, exceptionally, permitted.

⁴ Regulation (EU) 2024/903 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 March 2024 laying down measures for a high level of public sector interoperability across the Union (Interoperable Europe Act) (OJ L, 2024/903, 22.3.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/903/oj>).

- (7) In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 and Article 4a(1) of Protocol No 21 on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and without prejudice to Article 4 of that Protocol, Ireland is not taking part in the adoption of this Regulation and is not bound by it or subject to its application.
- (8) In accordance with Articles 1 and 2 of Protocol No 22 on the position of Denmark, annexed to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, Denmark is not taking part in the adoption of this Regulation and is not bound by it or subject to its application.
- (9) The European Data Protection Supervisor was consulted in accordance with Article 42(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council⁵ and delivered an opinion on 22 April 2025,

HAVE ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

⁵ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2018/1725/oj>).

Article 1

Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2018/1727

In Article 80 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1727, paragraph 9 is replaced by the following:

- ‘9. Eurojust may continue to use the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index until 1 December 2027, unless the new case management system is already in place, and the migration of the data from the case management system composed of temporary work files and an index, and the verification of the accuracy of those data, have been completed before that date.’

Article 2

Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in the Member States in accordance with the Treaties.

Done at ...,

For the European Parliament

For the Council

The President

The President
