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From:	Mr Paul JOHNSTON, Representation of the United Kingdom to the EU, Brussels
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To:	Mr Josef MOSER and Mr Herbert KICKL, Presidents of the Justice and Home Affairs Council
Subject:	Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules facilitating the use of financial and other information for the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of certain criminal offences and repealing Council Decision 2000/642/JHA
	 Opt-in by the United Kingdom

Delegations will find attached a document from the Representation of the United Kingdom to the EU in relation to the above subject.

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Mr Josef Moser and Mr Herbert Kickl Presidents of the Justice and Home Affairs Council Council of the European Union Rue de la Loi 175 B1048 Brussels

Dear Presidents,

Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules facilitating the use of financial and other information for the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of certain criminal offences and repealing Council Decision 2000/642/JHA - 2018/0105 (COD)

The purpose of this letter is to communicate the United Kingdom's formal notification, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the Protocol (No 21) to the Treaties on the position of the United Kingdom and Ireland in respect of the area of freedom, security and justice, that it intends to take part in the adoption and application of the Draft Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down rules facilitating the use of financial and other information for the prevention, detection, investigation or prosecution of certain criminal offences and repealing Council Decision 2000/642/JHA - 2018/0105 (COD).

I am copying this letter to Martin Selmayr, Secretary General of the Commission and Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen, Secretary General of the Council.

PAUL JOHNSTON