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From:	General Secretariat of the Council
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Subject:	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 (first reading) - Adoption of the legislative act - Statement

Statement by the Commission

In relation to Article 9 of the Directive, the Commission regrets that, against its original proposal, the Directive does not include rules on precise deadlines and IT channels for the exchange of information between Financial Intelligence Units of different Member States. The Commission also regrets that the scope of application of this Article has been limited to cases of terrorism and organised crime associated with terrorism, and does not cover all types of serious criminal offences, as originally proposed. The Commission will further reflect on Financial Intelligence Unit to Financial Intelligence Unit cooperation, notably as part of its reports on the implementation of this Directive and of the Anti-Money Laundering Directive.