



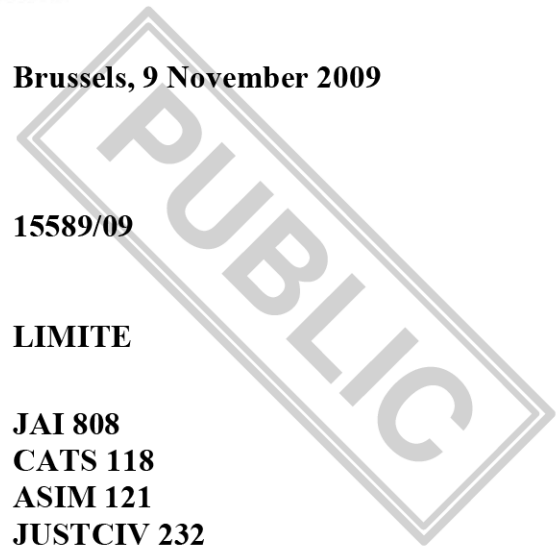
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Subject: Proposal for an Information Management Strategy for EU internal security  
- outstanding issues and submission to Coreper/Council

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1. On 26 June 2009, the Presidency submitted a proposal to the Ad Hoc Working Group on Information Exchange for an Information Management Strategy. The aim of this strategy is not to define what kind of information should be stored and/or exchanged but the strategy rather provides a methodology (the “how”) to ensure that decisions about the need for managing and exchanging data and decisions about the ways to do so are taken in a coherent, professional, efficient, cost-effective way, accountable and comprehensible to the citizens and the professional users.

When put together with the EU's priorities in Justice and Home Affairs and in particular in internal security (the “what”), the Information Management Strategy will allow the relevant authorities to implement in an efficient and effective manner the future developments in information exchange policy.

2. The strategy is the top document and as such has a long-term focus. It can be further developed and updated as the overarching vision develops or changes and should be reviewed by the end of 2014. The Information Management Strategy will be complemented by an action list/road map defining concrete goals, processes, roles and deadlines.
3. The Working Group has discussed the proposal in detail in its meetings of 7 and 13 July, 26-27 September, 15 and 26 October and has reached general agreement on the text, as set out in the annex to document 11312/4/09 REV 4 JAI 417 CATS 76 ASIM 72 JUSTCIV 163 JURINFO 118, subject to some reservations on the scope of the document.
4. The Article 36 Committee is invited to take note of this Information Management Strategy as it will affect all the files related to exchange of information that the Article 36 Committee deals with and this Committee will be expected to apply the principles of the Strategy.
5. The Article 36 Committee is invited to request the delegations having outstanding reservations to lift these with a view to forwarding the Information Management Strategy to Coreper and Council for approval.

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