CORRIGENDUM TO THE DRAFT MINUTES

Subject: 2350th meeting of the Council (Justice, Home Affairs and Civil Protection), held in Brussels on 28 and 29 May 2001

Items 10 and 12 should read as follows:

10. Principles for financing SIS II
8735/1/01 CATS 17 SIS 47 COMIX 360 REV 1

The Council adopted the conclusions set out in doc. 8735/1/01 CATS 17 SIS 47 COMIX 360 REV 1.

M. Vitorino stated that the Commission, being responsible for the execution of the Community budget, would consequently be ready to take up its responsibility on all elements of SIS II. He reminded the Council that in order to ensure an appropriate management of the system, adequate finance and human resources will need to be allocated by the two branches of the budgetary authorities. He informed the Council that the Commission's services were preparing a discussion paper detailing all the financial, legal and technical implications of the system.

The Finnish, Austrian and German delegations stressed the importance of this project in view of the enlargement of the EU.
The French, German and Spanish delegations urged that the expertise gained with the current SIS be used and that the concerned national experts be fully involved in the development of SIS II.

12. Scoreboard
   (information from the Commission)

   The Council took note of a presentation by Commissioner Vitorino of the latest updated version of the scoreboard reviewing progress on the creation of an area of freedom, security and justice in the EU.