

Eurodac system for the comparison of the fingerprints of applicants for asylum and certain other aliens for the effective application of the Dublin Convention

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PURPOSE : to establish rules for processing the fingerprints of asylum seekers. **COMMUNITY MEASURE** : Council Regulation 407/2002/EC laying down certain rules to implement Regulation 2725/2000 concerning the establishment of "Eurodac" for the comparison of fingerprints for the effective application of the Dublin Convention. **PURPOSE** : This Regulation lays down rules for processing and transmitting fingerprints in digital format between the relevant authorities of the Member States for the purpose of identifying the Member State responsible for examining an asylum application lodged in the EU and avoiding multiple claims by the same person. Member States must ensure the transmission of data in an appropriate quality by means of the computerised fingerprint recognition system. The Central Unit at Eurodac will carry out comparisons in the order of arrival of the requests. Each request must be dealt with within 24 hours, unless it is a matter of urgency. Data transmitted will use IDA generic services referred to in Decision No 1719/1999/EC. The Council will review the application of this regulation within four years following the start of Eurodac's activities. **ENTRY INTO FORCE** : 05/03/02. The Council shall review the application of this Regulation within 4 years following the start of Eurodac's activities.