


Procedure file

Basic information		
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Combating organized transboundary crime: establishment of the unity Eurojust. Initiative Germany		
Subject		
7.30.30 Action to combat crime		
7.40 Judicial cooperation		
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	LIBE Citizens' Freedoms and Rights, Justice and Home Affairs	PSE GEBHARDT Evelyne	29/08/2000
Council of the European Union			

Key events			
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure lapsed or withdrawn

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Combating organized transboundary crime: establishment of the unity Eurojust. Initiative Germany

PURPOSE: the establishment of a judicial cooperation unit (EUROJUST) with a view to reinforcing the fight against serious organised crime.

CONTENT: Following on from the conclusions of the European Summit in Tampere (Finland), it was proposed, on Germany's initiative, to establish a European judicial cooperation unit (EUROJUST) which would be composed of national prosecutors, magistrates or police officers of equivalent competence seconded by the Member States with a view to fighting serious transborder organised crime. EUROJUST would become involved in inquiries regarding particularly serious cases where mutual judicial assistance is required and would focus in particular on cases where the financial interests of the EU are threatened. Provisions lay down the tasks of EUROJUST liaison officials (duties to provide information on the status of Member States' penal procedures and sentences, assistance in EUROPOL's analysis activities, etc.). Further provisions specify how EUROJUST officials would work in cooperation with those who belong to the European Judicial Network (see Joint Action 96/277/JHA), the European Commission or EUROPOL. Furthermore, EUROJUST would be required to gather information on police records and cases registers in the framework of the network to be established. EUROJUST would in its turn have to redistribute this information to those who are entitled to it. Lastly, it is stipulated that EUROJUST should be involved in the subsequent creation of a centralised European register of cases. It should be noted that EUROJUST would be able to cooperate with third countries, in the framework of agreements concluded between the Council and those countries, with a view undertaking specific inquiries.?

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Following the discussions in the Working Party on Cooperation in Criminal Matters on 5 and 6 October and 15 November 2000, the Presidency is submitting a partially revised text of a draft Council Decision setting up EUROJUST 8 to delegations. The Presidency considers that the articles should be discussed in the following order of priority: Article 6 and 7, then Articles 4 and 5, and possibly Article 9. The points on which the Presidency feels a debate is particularly necessary include: - the composition of Eurojust; - the types of crime and the offences in respect of which Europol is competence to act; - accession to judicial records from the Member States; - national correspondent and their tasks; - exchange of information with Europol and - relations with partners.?