



# Procedure file

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Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria	
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Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	<b>LIBE</b> Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs		
Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	<a href="#">Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)</a>	<a href="#">2807</a>	12/06/2007
	<a href="#">Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)</a>	<a href="#">2768</a>	04/12/2006
European Commission	Commission DG	Commissioner	
	<a href="#">Justice and Consumers</a>	FRATTINI Franco	

Key events			
13/07/2006	Legislative proposal published	<a href="#">10543/2006</a>	Summary
05/09/2006	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
04/12/2006	Resolution/conclusions adopted by Council		Summary
28/02/2007	Vote in committee		Summary
05/03/2007	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0052/2007</a>	
28/03/2007	Debate in Parliament		
29/03/2007	Results of vote in Parliament		
29/03/2007	Decision by Parliament	<a href="#">T6-0096/2007</a>	Summary
12/06/2007	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
12/06/2007	End of procedure in Parliament		
15/06/2007	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information	
Procedure reference	2006/0806(CNS)

Procedure type	CNS - Consultation procedure
Procedure subtype	Legislation
Legislative instrument	Decision
	Amending Decision 2002/348/JHA <a href="#">2001/0824(CNS)</a>
Legal basis	Treaty on the European Union (after Amsterdam) M 30-p1-aa, b; Treaty on the European Union (after Amsterdam) M 034-p2c
Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	LIBE/6/39696

### Documentation gateway

For information	<a href="#">10544/2006</a>	15/06/2006	CSL	
Legislative proposal	<a href="#">10543/2006</a>	14/07/2006	CSL	Summary
Committee draft report	<a href="#">PE380.645</a>	18/12/2006	EP	
Amendments tabled in committee	<a href="#">PE384.464</a>	22/02/2007	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">A6-0052/2007</a>	05/03/2007	EP	
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading	<a href="#">T6-0096/2007</a>	29/03/2007	EP	Summary
Commission response to text adopted in plenary	SP(2007)1901/2	03/05/2007	EC	

### Additional information

European Commission	<a href="#">EUR-Lex</a>
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### Final act

<a href="#">Decision 2007/412</a> <a href="#">OJ L 155 15.06.2007, p. 0076</a> Summary
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## Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria

PURPOSE : to amend Decision 2002/348/JHA concerning security in connection with football matches with an international dimension.

PROPOSED ACT : Council Decision.

CONTEXT : on 25 April 2002, the Council adopted Decision 2002/348/JHA (refer to CNS/2001/0824) which established national football information points in each Member State as the designated point for sharing police information in respect of football matches with international dimension. That Decision set out the tasks and procedures to be adopted by each national football information point.

In the light of experience in recent years, such as the European Championships in 2004 and the experts' assessment of international police cooperation in the framework of that championship and extensive police cooperation in respect of international and club matches in Europe generally, the Decision should be revised and updated.

In recent years, the number of supporters travelling to matches abroad continues to grow. Therefore, it is necessary for the competent bodies to strengthen their cooperation and to professionalize the exchange of information in order to prevent public order disturbances and to allow every Member State to make an efficient risk assessment. The proposed amendments are the results of gathered experiences from several national football information points in their daily work and should enable them to work in a more structured and professional way, ensuring the exchange of high quality information.

CONTENT: the proposal enables national football information points to have access to information involving personal data on risk supporters. The information points shall produce and circulate, for the benefit of other national football information points regular, generic and /or thematic national football disorder assessments.

It is also provided that information be exchanged using the appropriate forms contained in the appendix to the handbook with recommendations for international police cooperation and measures to prevent and control violence and disturbances in connection with football matches with an international dimension, in which at least one Member State is involved. National football information points shall

ensure that the information they send is complete and in conformity with those forms.

## Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria

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The Council adopted a resolution on the prevention and control of violence at football matches.

On 21 June 1999, the Council adopted a resolution concerning a handbook for international police cooperation and measures to prevent and control violence disturbances in connection with international football matches. This resolution was replaced by the Council resolution of 6 December 2001 concerning a handbook with recommendations for international police cooperation and measures to prevent and control violence and disturbances in connection with football matches with an international dimension, in which at least one Member State is involved.

The current resolution requests Member States to continue to step up police cooperation in respect of football matches with an international dimension and that amendments to the handbook be proposed in the light of recent experience. To this end, the handbook has been revised and updated. It provides examples of strongly recommended working methods that should be made available to police forces.

The changes included in the annexed updated handbook are without prejudice to existing national provisions, in particular the divisions and responsibilities among the different authorities and services in the Member States concerned, and to the exercise by the Commission of its powers under the Treaty establishing the European Community.

## Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria

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The committee adopted the report by Giusto CATANIA (GUE/NGL, IT) approving the proposed Council decision on security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. It adopted two amendments under the consultation procedure:

- personal data collected by national football information points on high-risk supporters should be handled exclusively in connection with football matches and should not be used for any other activities;

- personal data should be exchanged in accordance with the domestic and international laws applicable, taking account of the principles laid down in the Council of Europe's 1981 Convention on the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data and - as appropriate - its 1987 Recommendation regulating the use of personal data in the police sector. Such exchanges would be for the purpose of "preparing and taking the appropriate measures to maintain law and order when a football event takes place", and could involve details of individuals "actually or potentially posing a threat to law and order and security".

## Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria

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The European Parliament adopted the resolution drafted by Giusto CATANIA(GUE/NGL, IT) and approved the proposal on security in connection with football matches with an international dimension, subject to two amendments. (For details, please refer to the summary of 28/02/2007.)

## Security in connection with football matches with an international dimension. Initiative Austria

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**LEGISLATIVE ACT:** Council Decision 2007/412/JHA amending Decision 2002/348/JHA concerning security in connection with football matches with an international dimension.

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The Council shall evaluate the implementation of this Decision by 12 June 2010.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 16 June 2007.