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Basic information		
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Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece		
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1.20.09 Protection of privacy and data protection		
7.30 Police, judicial and customs cooperation in general		
Geographical area		
Greece		

Key players			
European Parliament	Committee responsible	Rapporteur	Appointed
	 Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	 MORAES Claude	09/02/2017
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Council of the European Union	Council configuration	Meeting	Date
	Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)	3528	27/03/2017

Key events			
10/11/2016	Legislative proposal published	12211/2016	Summary
30/11/2016	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
27/02/2017	Vote in committee		
03/03/2017	Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading	A8-0053/2017	Summary
15/03/2017	Results of vote in Parliament		
15/03/2017	Decision by Parliament	T8-0080/2017	Summary
27/03/2017	Act adopted by Council after consultation of Parliament		
27/03/2017	End of procedure in Parliament		
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Technical information	
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Documentation gateway					
Legislative proposal		12211/2016	10/11/2016	CSL	Summary
Committee draft report		PE597.479	08/02/2017	EP	
Committee report tabled for plenary, 1st reading/single reading		A8-0053/2017	03/03/2017	EP	Summary
Text adopted by Parliament, 1st reading/single reading		T8-0080/2017	15/03/2017	EP	Summary

Final act	
Decision 2017/617 OJ L 089 01.04.2017, p. 0004	Summary

Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece

PURPOSE: the launch of an automated data exchange with regard to DNA in Greece.

PROPOSED ACT: Council Implementing Decision.

ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT: the Council adopts the act after consulting the European Parliament but without being obliged to follow its opinion.

BACKGROUND: according to [Decision 2008/615/JHA](#) on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime, the supply of personal data provided for under that Decision may not take place until the general provisions on data protection set out in that Decision have been implemented in the national law of the territories of the Member States involved in such supply.

[Council Decision 2008/616/JHA](#) on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA provides that the verification that the above condition has been met with respect to automated data exchange and is to be done on the basis of an evaluation report based on: (i) a questionnaire drawn up by the relevant Council Working Group concerns each of the automated data exchanges; (ii) an evaluation visit and (iii) a pilot run.

Greece has completed the questionnaire on data protection and the questionnaire on DNA data exchange. A successful pilot run has been carried out by Greece with the Netherlands.

An evaluation visit has taken place in Greece and a report on the evaluation visit has been produced by the Dutch evaluation team.

On 13 October 2016, the Council, having noted the agreement of all Member States bound by Decision 2008/615/JHA, concluded that Greece had fully implemented the general provisions on data protection set out in Chapter 6 of Decision 2008/615/JHA.

CONTENT: the proposed implementing Council Decision seeks to authorise Greece to receive and supply personal data pursuant to Decision 2008/615/JHA as from the date of the entry into force of this Decision for the purposes of automated searching and comparison of DNA data.

As the conditions for triggering the exercise of such implementing powers have been met and the procedure in this regard has been followed, an Implementing Decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece should be adopted in order to allow that Member State to receive and supply personal data pursuant to Articles 3 and 4 of Decision 2008/615/JHA.

The United Kingdom and Ireland shall participate in the proposed Decision.

Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece

The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs adopted, following Parliaments consultation procedure, the report by Claude MORAES (S&D, UK) on the draft Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in

Greece.

The committee recommended the European Parliament to approve the Council draft which seeks to authorise Greece to receive and supply personal data pursuant to Decision 2008/615/JHA as from the date of the entry into force of this Decision for the purposes of automated searching and comparison of DNA data.

Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece

The European Parliament adopted by 597 votes to 61, with 30 abstentions, following the consultation procedure, a legislative resolution on the draft Council implementing decision on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece.

Parliament approved, without amendment, the Council draft which seeks to authorise Greece to receive and supply personal data pursuant to Decision 2008/615/JHA as from the date of the entry into force of this Decision for the purposes of automated searching and comparison of DNA data.

Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece

PURPOSE: to authorise Greece to receive and supply personal data with regard to DNA data in Greece.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/617 on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece.

CONTENT: this Council Implementing Decision authorises Greece to receive and supply personal data in accordance with Decision 2008/615/JHA for the purpose of automated searching and comparison of DNA data, as from 2 April 2017.

As a reminder, [Council Decision 2008/615/JHA](#) on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, in particular with a view to combating terrorism and cross-border crime, provides that the supply of personal data may not take place until the general provisions on data protection have been implemented in the national law of the territories of the Member States involved in such supply.

An overall evaluation report, including a summary of the results of the data protection questionnaire sent to Greece, the evaluation visit to Greece and the pilot test with the Netherlands was presented to the Council.

On 13 October 2016, the Council concluded that Denmark had fully implemented the general provisions on data protection set out in Decision 2008/615/JHA.

ENTRY INTO FORCE: 2.4.2017.