

THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC SENATE

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Resolution of the Senate

delivered on the 8th meeting held on 28th May 2010

on the Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council on the procedures for the scrutiny of Europol's activities by the European Parliament, together with national Parliaments

(Senate Press no. K 033/08)

The Senate

I.

1. Considers

Communication from the Commission to be a good base for intensive debate on the adjustment of democratic scrutiny of Europol, which should be started having in mind the approaching release of the proposal for a regulation on Europol;

2. Assumes

that with regard to the importance of democratic scrutiny of Europol and to the role, that the national Parliaments should play in the future, it is necessary that national Parliaments agree on the regime of the scrutiny as soon as possible;

II.

1. Is of the opinion

that the scrutiny procedure on the national level should be based on

- debating annual reports of Europol,
- discussion with national representatives in Europol, possibly on communication with Europol staff;

2. Does not support

creation of any new platform of the national Parliaments and the European Parliament in order to perform the scrutiny of Europol;

3. Considers

COSAC as a platform, on which delegates of the national Parliaments and the European Parliament meet regularly, to be the appropriate forum for performing democratic scrutiny;

4. Assumes

that independently of the chosen form of the interparliamentary platform, it would be appropriate that the director of Europol participates in the discussion;

III.

1. Requests

the Government to inform the Senate about the way this position was taken into account and about further initiatives following this Communication;

2. Authorises

the President of the Senate to forward this Resolution to the European Commission.

Milan Štěch sign manual President of the Senate

> Miluše Horská sign manual Senate Verifier