

SENATE OF THE PARLIAMENT OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC 13TH TERM

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RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE

Delivered on the 24th session held on 6th April 2022

On the Package for Strengthening of the Cross-border Police Cooperation

Senate Print no. N 129/13 – Proposal for a Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council on automated data exchange for police cooperation ("Prüm II"), amending Council Decisions 2008/615/JHA and 2008/616/JHA and Regulations (EU) 2018/1726, 2019/817 and 2019/818 of the European Parliament and of the Council /COM(2021) 784/

Senate Print no. N 130/13 - Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on information exchange between law enforcement authorities of Member States, repealing Council Framework Decision 2006/960/JHA /COM(2021) 782/

Senate Print no. J 134/13 - Proposal for a Council Recommendation on operational police cooperation /COM(2021) 780/

The Senate

I.

1. Notes that

- the package for strengthening of the police cooperation represents a key and beneficial initiative in the field of police work;
- the effective cross-border police cooperation of the EU Member States is important so as to ensure safe Schengen area without controls on the internal borders;

2. Assesses positively

- the initiative aimed at stepping up of the exchange of information essential for the prevention and detection of criminal offences, and increasing its efficiency; as well as the extension of the automated information exchange to new categories of data;

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- that the proposal for a regulation on automated data exchange for police cooperation does not envisage creation of a new centralized European database and that the exchange will be guided within central routers acting as a connecting point between Member States;

3. Supports

the Government position on the presented proposals; in particular as regards the Government's comments referring to some parts of the text, which seem to be unclear and proposing ineffective changes that might be administratively demanding;

4. Considers as essential

- that the proposals respect the division of competences on the national level and the protection of national interests;
- that the proposals respect the bilateral and multilateral cooperation including the reciprocity;
- that the new legal framework maintains the applicability of the existing police agreements when providing more beneficial arrangements for Member States;

II.

1. Requests the Government

to inform the Senate by 31 August 2022 on further progress of the legislative work with regard to the proposals, as well as on the way this Resolution was taken into account;

2. Authorises

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

Miloš Vystrčil sign manual President of the Senate

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