

Cross-border exchange of information on road safety related traffic offences

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In public deliberation, the Council took note of a progress report from the Presidency concerning a proposal for a Directive facilitating cross-border enforcement in the field of road safety.

The Council invited its preparatory bodies to continue the proceedings with a view to reaching agreement as soon as possible.

Ministers reiterated their agreement on the objective of the Commission proposal and stressed the need for a lasting and effective European instrument. At its meeting in October 2008 the Council held a public policy debate on this proposal. A significant number of Member States expressed doubts as to the appropriateness of the legal basis chosen by the Commission for its proposal.

The Commission submitted its proposal in March 2008. The European Parliament should adopt its opinion at first reading in December 2008.