

Cooperation agreement between Eurojust and Montenegro

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PURPOSE: to approve the conclusion, by Eurojust, of the Agreement on Cooperation between Eurojust and Montenegro.

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: [Decision 2002/187/JHA](#) stipulates that Eurojust may conclude agreements with third States and organisations. Such agreements may, in particular, concern the exchange of information, including personal data, and the secondment of liaison officers or liaison magistrates to Eurojust. Such agreements may only be concluded after consultation by Eurojust with the Joint Supervisory Body concerning the provisions on data protection and after the approval by the Council.

In order to strengthen its capacity to work with Montenegro, Eurojust has negotiated an Agreement on Cooperation between Eurojust and Montenegro.

Montenegro has ratified the Council of Europe Convention and its Additional Protocol regarding supervisory authorities and transborder data. The Joint Supervisory Body of Eurojust gave a positive opinion on the provisions of the Agreement concerning data protection. The Agreement was approved by the College of Eurojust on 9 June 2015.

CONTENT: in accordance with the draft implementing Decision, Eurojust is hereby authorised to **conclude the Agreement on Cooperation between Eurojust and Montenegro.**

The Agreement contains provisions on the exchange of personal data.

Denmark, the United Kingdom and Ireland shall take part in the adoption and application of this Decision.