

Agreement on operational and strategic cooperation between Bosnia and Herzegovina and European Police Office (Europol)

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The Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs adopted, in the framework of a special legislative procedure (Parliament's consultation), the report by Lorenzo FONTANA (ENF, IT) on the draft Council implementing decision approving the conclusion by the European Police Office (Europol) of the Agreement on Operational and Strategic Cooperation between Bosnia and Herzegovina and Europol.

The Committee recommended the European Parliament to **approve the Council draft**.

To recall, with regard to [Council Decision 2009/371/JHA](#) establishing the European Police Office (Europol) and [Council Decision 2009/934/JHA](#) adopting the implementing rules governing Europol's relations with partners, Europol must conclude the agreements with the third States which are laid down in the list established by [Council Decision 2009/935/JHA](#).

Such agreements have the objective of supporting and strengthening action by the competent authorities of the Member States and their **mutual cooperation in preventing and combating organised crime, terrorism and other forms of serious crime** affecting two or more Member States, and may concern the exchange of operational, strategic or technical information, including personal data and classified information.

Bosnia and Herzegovina is included in the list determined by Decision 2009/935/JHA.

Members called on the Commission to:

- assess, after the entry into force of the new Europol Regulation, the provisions contained in the cooperation agreement, in particular on data protection;
- inform the Parliament and the Council of the outcome of this assessment and, if appropriate, to submit a recommendation for an authorisation to open international renegotiation of the agreement.