Automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece

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PURPOSE: to authorise Greece to receive and supply personal data with regard to DNA data in Greece.

NON-LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Implementing Decision (EU) 2017/617 on the launch of automated data exchange with regard to DNA data in Greece.

CONTENT: this Council Implementing Decision authorises Greece to **receive and supply personal data** in accordance with Decision 2008/615/JHA for the purpose of automated searching and comparison of DNA data, as from 2 April 2017.

As a reminder, Council Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, in particular with a view to combating terrorism and cross-border crime, provides that the supply of personal data may not take place until the general provisions on data protection have been implemented in the national law of the territories of the Member States involved in such supply.

An overall evaluation report, including a summary of the results of the data protection questionnaire sent to Greece, the evaluation visit to Greece and the pilot test with the Netherlands was presented to the Council.

On 13 October 2016, the Council concluded that Denmark had fully implemented the general provisions on data protection set out in Decision 2008/615/JHA.

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