Europol: staff regulations, amendments. Initiative Ireland

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PURPOSE : to adopt a Council Act which aims to amend Europol's staff regulations to improve the travel policy. PROPOSED ACT : Council Act (Initiative of Ireland). CONTENT : having regard to the Convention on the establishment of a European police Office (Europol Convention), this draft initiative aims to amend the Staff Regulation applicable to Europol employees in order to improve the travel policy. It is of the Council, acting unanimously, to lay down the detailed arrangements applicable to Europol employees. It is proposed to amend the Staff Regulation to stipulate that Europol may, after consulting the Staff Committee, take out an additional sickness insurance which shall be compulsory for all officials. The full contribution required to meet this additional insurance cover shall be charged to the official. In addition, the draft initiative proposes that an official travelling on official business (a mission) and holding an appropriate authorisation shall be entitled to the reimbursement of mission expenses. Moreover, the authorisation shall state the probable duration of the mission, on the basis of which shall be calculated any advance which the official may draw against the subsistence allowance and travel and accommodation costs. Any contribution, whether in kind or financial, received from a third party in connection with a mission shall be declared to Europol by the official concerned. Such contributions shall be deducted from the reimbursement to which the official would otherwise be entitled. Acting on a proposal of the Director, the Management Board shall lay down detailed rules on mission expenses and the reimbursement thereof.