Secure web-based Information and Coordination Network for Member States' Migration Management Services

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PURPOSE: to establish a secure web-based Information and Coordination Network for the Migration Services of Member States. PROPOSED ACT: Council Decision. CONTENT: the Council's comprehensive plan to combat illegal immigration and trafficking of human beings of 28 February 2002 requested the development of a web based secure intranet site. Such a site must be used to establish secure and rapid information exchange between Member States on irregular or illegal migratory flows and phenomena. This proposal deals with the establishment of the site. The Commission is to be responsible for the development and management of the network, including the elements for information exchange, which will include the following: - Early Warning System on illegal immigration and facilitator networks; - Network of Immigration Liaison Officers; - Visa, borders and travel documents relating to illegal immigration; - Return related issues. The main points of the proposal are as follows: - access to that webbased intranet site is limited to authorised users in compliance with the established terms, procedures and security measures; - Directive 95/46/EC on data processing will be taken into account in the context of the web-based intranet site; - the network will include administrative tools, such as a directory of participating units or officials and email, newsgroups and meeting functionality. The Commission will make use of the existing technical platform in the Community framework of the trans-European telematic network for administrations; - Member States will designate national contact points; - Member States must prevent any unauthorised person from having access to the network, and guarantee that authorised persons have access only to data which are within their competence. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: - Duration: the proposal indicates neither duration nor revision period. - Overall financial impact of human resources and other administrative expenditure. - Total commitments and payments over five years: EUR 0,790 million. This includes staff costs of EUR 108 000 per year and administrative costs of EUR 50 000 per year. The proposal has no financial implications on revenue. - Staff to be assigned: 1 B post.