European Police Office, Europol: Art. 2 and annex, Protocol on money laundering. Initiative Portugal

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PURPOSE : to present an Initiative from the Portuguese Republic with a view to adopting a Council Act on the drawing up of the Convention on the establishment of a European Police Office (Europol Convention) of a Protocol amending Article 2 and the Annex to that Convention. CONTENT : in this Initiative from the Portuguese Republic, the Europol Convention is amended in the following way: - Europol shall initially act to prevent and combat unlawful drug trafficking, illegal money laundering activities, trafficking in nuclear and radioactive substances, illegal immigrant smuggling, trade in human beings and motor vehicle crime; - Europol's competence as regards a form of crime or specific manifestations thereof shall cover related criminal offences. It shall, however, not cover offences predicate to illegal money laundering activities with regard to which forms of crime Europol has no competence. Furthermore, this Protocol shall be subject to adoption by the Member States in accordance with their respective constitutional requirements.