Controls at borders: exchange of information to combat counterfeit travel documents

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The Parliament approved the draft joint action (Rapporteur : Mr. Klaus-Heiner LEHNE (EPP, D) with regard to the detection of false travel documents. Most of the amendments seek to strengthen the procedures with the Council, rather than the False Documents Working Party, playing a greater role. Another amendment states that personal data shall be communicated to other Member States, in compliance with European Parliament and Council Directive 96/9/EC and maintaining the greatest possible legal protection, on the basis of EU legislation, national law and international conventions. The Commission shall first of all submit to the Council and the Parliament its report on the future compilation, transfer and processing of data covered by Title IIIa of the Treaty of Amsterdam and, three months after the entry into force of that Treaty, shall draw up a proposal for a regulation on a measure which shall replace this Joint Action. A proposal for a measure which shall replace this Joint Action shall be submitted at the latest six months before the expiry of the validity of this Joint Action.