Data protection: establishment of a secretariat for the joint supervisory bodies

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PURPOSE : to establish a secretariat for the joint supervisory data-protection bodies set up by the Convention on the Establishment of a European Police Office (Europol Convention), the Convention on the Use of Information Technology for Customs Purposes and the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement on the gradual abolition of checks at the Common borders (Schengen Convention). COMMUNITY MEASURE : Council Decision (2000/641/JHA). CONTENT : the Council decided to adopt a decision establishing a Secretariat for the Joint Supervisory Data-Protection Bodies set up by the Convention on the Establishment of a European Police Office (Europol), the Convention of the Use of Information Technology for Customs Purposes and the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement on the gradual abolition of checks at the common borders. The data-protection secretariat shall fulfil the tasks provided for the secretariats of the joint supervisory bodies as laid down in the respective Rules of Procedure of those bodies. With regard to administrative support, the General Secretariat of the Council shall provide the office space and equipment necessary for the performance of the duties of the data-protection secretariat. As far as financing is concerned, the administrative overhead expenses of the data-protection secretariat (in particular equipment, remuneration, allowances and other personnel expenses) shall be charged to the section of the general budget of the European Union relating to the Council. Cost relating directly to the meetings shall be borne both by the Council and by Europol. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 17.10.00. This Decision shall apply from 1 September 2001.