

Schengen Convention: access for vehicle registration authorities to the Information System SIS, amending the Convention

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All 10 amendments proposed by the Parliament and acceptable to the Commission have been integrated in the text. One amendment, which is reported as being unacceptable by the Commission but of which the Commission services have indicated that it is acceptable, has also been taken up in the common position.

The other amendments, which were not acceptable to the Commission, have not been included in the common position because it is considered that the current draft Regulation does not provide the correct and sufficient legal basis for these provisions.

The Council is aware of the fact that the current drafting of the Regulation supposes that the relevant provisions of the draft Council Decision concerning the introduction of some new functions for the Schengen Information System, including in the fight against terrorism, have become applicable before the Regulation enters into force. As there is agreement on the draft Council Decision and its adoption is only subject to the lifting of one outstanding parliamentary reservation, the Council wishes to maintain the current text. This issue will be carefully examined again in the second reading, in light of the progress made on the above-mentioned draft Council Decision at that time.