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.

LEGISLATIVE ACT: Council Decision 2005/267/EC.

CONTENT: This Decision establishes a secure Information and Coordination Network for Member States' Migration Management Services, in order to assist in combating illegal immigration and trafficking in human beings.

The Commission is responsible for the development and management of the network, including the structure and content thereof and the elements for information exchange.

The elements for information exchange shall include at least the following: (a) early warning system on illegal immigration and facilitator networks; (b) network of immigration liaison officers; (c) information on the use of visas, borders and travel documents in relation to illegal immigration; (d) return-related issues.

Unless marked as public, the information provided shall be strictly limited to authorised users of the network and shall not be disclosed to third parties without prior permission of the owner of the information concerned.

Member States shall take the necessary security measures to:

- a) prevent any unauthorised person from having access to the network;
- b) guarantee that, when using the network, authorised persons have access only to data which are within their sphere of competence;
- c) prevent information on the network from being read, copied, modified or erased by unauthorised persons.

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