Second generation Schengen Information System (SIS II): establishment, operation and use

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The Mixed Committee (EU + Norway, Iceland and Switzerland) reached agreement on a number of outstanding issues concerning the legal instruments of the second generation of the Schengen Information System (SIS II), in particular:

- § the long-term operational management of SIS II;
- § the use of biometrics;
- § the transitional period applying to the content of the old alerts.

Regarding the question of alerts relating to surrender procedures, the Mixed Committee asked the Council preparatory bodies to finalise a compromise text. On that basis, the Presidency of the Council will negotiate with the European Parliament with a view to having the SIS II legal instruments adopted as soon as possible.