

Criminal judicial cooperation: procedural rights in criminal proceedings throughout European Union

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The Council decided to further its work on this proposal with a view to reaching an agreement in June 2007.

In June 2006, the Council agreed on the principles for further work on this proposal. It was concluded that the scope of the proposed Council Framework Decision would be limited to the right to information, the right to legal assistance, the right to legal assistance free of charge, the right to interpretation and the right to translation of documents of the procedure. The Council also instructed its preparatory bodies to examine practical measures. At its meeting on 15/16 June 2006, the European Council urged the finalisation of negotiations on the procedural rights in criminal proceedings.