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Subject: Draft Council Decision on setting up the Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security

1. Following discussions as part of the preparations in view of the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty, the Antici Group had, on 18 November 2009, a final examination of the above text and reached agreement on it.

2. In its meeting of 26-27 November 2009, Coreper agreed to recommend that the Council adopt the draft Council Decision on the Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security.

3. The draft Council Decision has meanwhile undergone lawyer-linguist verification and is set out in document 16515/09 POLGEN 201.

4. Coreper is therefore invited to recommend the Council to adopt the draft Council Decision on the Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security as set out in document 16515/09 POLGEN 201.
5. The following statement is to be entered in the minutes of the Council adopting the Decision:

Statement on the composition of the Standing Committee on operational cooperation on internal security (COSI)

Given its operational role, COSI will be capitals-based. Each Member State will decide whether it has a single representative for all subject matters or different representatives, in both cases enjoying appropriate support. However the number of delegates will be limited in order to ensure the efficiency of the committee's work. COSI's work will be provided with Brussels-based support. JHA Counsellors will play a supporting role and will meet as required between main meetings of COSI.