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from : Mr Gunnar LUND, Swedish Permanent Representative  
date of receipt : 28 May 2001  
to : Mr Javier SOLANA, Secretary-General/High Representative

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Subject : Submission by the Kingdom of Sweden  
– Initiative by the Kingdom of Sweden with a view to the adoption by the Council of a draft Decision amending Decision 1999/C 149/02 of 29 April 1999 extending Europol's mandate to deal with forgery of money and means of payment

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Sir,

In accordance with Article 43(3) of the Convention on the establishment of a European Police Office (the Europol Convention), I enclose a proposal by the Government of the Kingdom of Sweden for the amendment of Decision 1999/C 149/02 of 29 April 1999 extending Europol's mandate to deal with forgery of money and means of payment <sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> The Swedish delegation has stated that an explanatory note on the initiative is to follow shortly; it will be issued as an addendum hereto.

I should be much obliged if, in accordance with Article 17 of the Council's Rules of Procedure, you would arrange to have this initiative published in the Official Journal and forwarded to the European Parliament for its Opinion.

(Complimentary close)

(s.) Gunnar LUND

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**DRAFT COUNCIL DECISION**

**of ..... 2001**

**amending Decision 1999/C 149/02 of 29 April 1999 extending Europol's mandate  
to deal with forgery of money and means of payment  
(2001/C .....)**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Convention, based on Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union, on the establishment of a European Police Office (Europol Convention) <sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 43(3) thereof and the Annex to the Convention,

Having regard to the initiative of the Kingdom of Sweden,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament of .....,

Having regard to the discussions in Europol's Management Board,

Whereas:

- (1) In its Decision of 29 April 1999 the Council extended Europol's mandate to deal with forgery of money and means of payment, as defined in that Decision <sup>2</sup>.
- (2) On 29 May 2000 the Council adopted a Framework Decision on increasing protection by criminal penalties and other sanctions against counterfeiting in connection with the introduction of the euro <sup>3</sup>.
- (3) The definition introduced by Article 2 of the Decision of 29 April 1999 should be brought into line with the Framework Decision referred to,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ C 316, 27.11.1995, p. 1.

<sup>2</sup> OJ C 149, 28.5.1999, p.16.

<sup>3</sup> OJ C 140, 14.6.2000, p. 1.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

**Article 2 of the Decision of 29 April 1999 extending Europol's mandate to deal with forgery of money and means of payment shall read as follows:**

"The term "forgery of money" shall cover the acts defined in Articles 3, 4 and 5 of the Framework Decision of 29 May 2000 on increasing protection by criminal penalties and other sanctions against counterfeiting in connection with the introduction of the euro."

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the day following its adoption.

Done at ....., ..... 2001

For the Council  
The President