Opinion of the Joint Supervisory Body of Eurojust regarding the Memorandum of Understanding between Interpol and Eurojust

On the 10th June 2013 the Joint Supervisory Body was invited by Eurojust to give its views regarding the envisaged Memorandum of Understanding between Interpol and Eurojust in the light of Article 26a.2 of the Eurojust Decision. Following the request from the Eurojust presidency to issue an opinion in the shortest possible timeframe, the JSB considered this text during its meeting on the 20th June 2013.

The Joint Supervisory Body appreciates very much the opportunity to provide its views regarding this proposal.

The Joint Supervisory Body welcomes the draft Memorandum of Understanding between Eurojust and Interpol and is generally satisfied with its content but would like to make the following observation:

Article 4.2 of the Memorandum implies the possibility for Eurojust and Interpol to exchange strategic information other than what is enumerated in this Article. It should in any case be stressed that any kind of information exchanged should in any cases comply with Article 4.4. of this Memorandum, meaning that in no case operational data or personal data could be part of such strategic information exchanged.

The Joint Supervisory Body of Eurojust trusts that this observation will be taken on board by Eurojust and, provided this is the case, issues a positive opinion regarding this Memorandum of Understanding.

Done at The Hague, 20 June 2013

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