

## Opinion of the Joint Supervisory Body of Eurojust on the draft agreement between Eurojust and Ukraine

At the meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of March 2015, the Joint Supervisory Body considered the draft agreement between Eurojust and Ukraine in order to give its opinion in accordance with Article 26a (2) of the Eurojust Decision.

The Joint Supervisory Body appreciates the fact that Eurojust, through its external relations team and the Data Protection Service, has provided it with extensive information through the process of negotiations, which started back in 2006, and is pleased to observe that the level of protection in Ukraine has been checked by the Data Protection Officer.

After careful deliberation and discussion, the Joint Supervisory Body concluded as follows:

Considering that Ukraine has ratified the Convention 108 of the Council of Europe on the 30 September 2010,

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Considering the fact that the data protection legislation applicable in Ukraine has been substantially modified and that the comments and suggestions made by Eurojust in order to ensure an adequate level of protection have been taken on board to the satisfaction of the Data Protection Officer of Eurojust,

Considering that the issues regarding the independence of the competent supervisory authority in Ukraine have been satisfactorily addressed by the transfer of the supervisory tasks to the Ombudsman which enjoys full independence in accordance with the Ukrainian Constitution,

Considering that the draft agreement contains all relevant data protection provisions in line with the model agreement positively evaluated by the Joint Supervisory Body in previous occasions,



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The Joint Supervisory Body considers the provisions on the exchange of personal data contained in the draft agreement between Eurojust and Ukraine adequate and gives therefore a positive opinion on the draft agreement.

Done at The Hague, 3 March 2015

Carlos Campos Lobo Chair of the Joint Supervisory Body