**Written procedure**

From: Chair of the Eurodac Advisory Group  
To: Eurodac Advisory Group  
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Subject: Notification for completion of the written procedure for opinion of the Eurodac Advisory Group on the Annual report on the 2019 activities of the Eurodac central system, including its technical functioning and security, pursuant to Article 40(1) of Regulation (EU) No 603/2013

In accordance with Article 40(1) of the Eurodac Regulation (EU) No 603/2013, eu-LISA shall submit to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and the European Data Protection Supervisor an annual report on the activities of the Central System, including on its technical functioning and security.

A consultation phase was held between 18 June and 2 July 2020. Comments received from the Netherlands slightly after the deadline of the consultation phase were partially taken on board, e.g. resulting in new footnotes about Europol and Category 4 hits.

For the future, please note that the consultation phase and its deadlines for suggested changes and comments are in place in order to facilitate proper and efficient processing of these proposals.

Indeed, during the written procedure, the documents are not supposed to be modified but opinions shall either be adopted or rejected.

Following the consultation phase, the Eurodac annual report for 2019 was sent to the Eurodac Advisory Group on 6 July, via written procedure. By the deadline of the written procedure on 9 July 2020, no comments were received from members with the right to vote.

Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Article 18(4) of the Rules of Procedure of the Agency, the Eurodac AG gives the following opinion by written procedure:

*The Eurodac AG decides to give its positive opinion on the document 2020-224 on the Annual report on the 2019 activities of the Eurodac central system, including its technical functioning and security, pursuant to Article 40(1) of Regulation (EU) No 603/2013.*

The next step is to send the report for further adoption by the Management Board of eu-LISA pursuant to Article 19(1)(gg) of the Agency’s establishing Regulation, and consequently submit it to the European Parliament, the Council, the Commission and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

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