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from : Incoming Swedish Presidency  
to : Article 36 Committee/ Strategic Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and  
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Subject : The External Dimension of Justice and Home Affairs

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The Incoming Swedish Presidency wishes to open the discussion on the JHA Relex Strategy

That strategy was adopted by the Council in 2005 (14366/3/05 REV 3) and since then implementation reports were published in 2006 (docs. 15001/06 and 15363/06) and 2008 (docs. 9391/08 and 9572/1/08 REV 1).

The Trio Presidency programme published on 1 July 2008 (doc. 10546/08) suggested that the JHA Relex strategy might be renewed at the end of 2009.

The question arises whether that renewal is needed and/or whether the future of the JHA Relex policy can also be covered within the Stockholm programme.

Any discussion on the future of the JHA Relex strategy, whether incorporated in the Stockholm programme or in a separate document should address the main objectives of JHA Relex, the geographical and thematic priorities, as well as the chosen methodology.

The Presidency invites delegations to comment on these issues and to take note of the fact that the UK delegation has already contributed to this debate by issuing document 11413/09. The current UK paper is an updated version of the room document, which was presented in JAIEX on 9 June.

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