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Draft Joint Action adopted by the Council on the basis of Article K.3 of the Treaty on European Union on the creation of an early warning system for the transmission of information on illegal immigration and facilitator networks (5001/99 — C4-0046/99 — 99/0909(CNS))

The draft was approved with the following amendments:

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AMENDMENTS
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(Amendment 1)

Article 1(1), 1st indent

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(Amendment 2)

Article 2(2a) (new)

2a. Mediterranean countries adjoining EU countries shall be invited to participate in the system.

(Amendment 3)

Article 3(2)

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(Amendment 4)

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(Amendment 5)

Article 4a (new)

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1. The Commission shall forward its report on the future of the collection, transfer and processing of data within the framework of Title IIIa of the Treaty of Amsterdam to the Council and the European Parliament.

2. Three months at the latest after the entry into force of the Treaty of Amsterdam or at least six months before the joint action expires, whichever shall be the earlier, the Commission shall submit a proposal for an action to replace this joint action.