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Subject: Opinion on the Recommendations for Council Decisions authorising the opening of negotiations for agreements between the European Union and respectively Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Tunisia and Turkey on the exchange of personal data between Europol and, respectively, the Algerian, Egyptian, Israeli, Jordanian, Lebanese, Moroccan, Tunisian and Turkish competent authorities for fighting serious crime and terrorism

Dear President,

With regard to Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data, and in particular its Article 28(2), I send you an Opinion on eight negotiating mandates to conclude international agreements allowing the exchange of data between Europol and third countries.

I have sent this Opinion to the President of the Council of the European Union and the President of the European Commission as well.

Yours sincerely,

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Annex: Opinion

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