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From:	Mr Ivan Rogers, Permanent Representation of the United Kingdom to the European Union
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To:	Mr Ard Van der Steur and Mr Klaas Dijkhoff Presidents of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs)
Subject:	Notification of participation in Council Decisions 2008/615/JHA and 2008/616/JHA ("Prüm Decisions"), and Council Framework Decision 2009/906/JHA

Delegations will find herewith a letter from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom to the European Union, Ivan Rogers, to Ministers Ard Van der Steur and Klaas Dijkhoff, Presidents of the Council (Justice and Home Affairs), concerning the participation of the United Kingdom in Council Decision 2008/615/JHA, Council Decision 2008/616/JHA and Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA.



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Dear Ministers Van der Steur and Dijkhoff,

Council Decision 2008/615/JHA of 23 June 2008 on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime (OJ L210, 6.8.2008, p.1.)

AND

Council Decision 2008/616/JHA of 23 June 2008 on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime (OJ L210, 6.8.2008, p.12.)

AND

Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA of 30 November 2009 on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities (OJ L322, 9.12.2009, p.14.)

In conformity with Council Decision 2014/836/EU determining certain consequential and transitional arrangements concerning the cessation of the participation of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in certain acts of the Union in the field of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters adopted before the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon (OJ L343, 28.11.2014, p.11.), the United Kingdom published a full Prüm Business and Implementation Case on 30 September 2015. A vote was subsequently held in the United Kingdom's Parliament that supported rejoining

the relevant measures in line with the published Prüm Business and Implementation Case.

Noting the timelines and requirements set out in Council Decision 2014/836/EU, the purpose of this letter is to communicate the United Kingdom's formal notification, in accordance with Article 10(5) of Protocol (No 36) to the Treaties on transitional provisions, of its wish to participate in the following acts:

- Council Decision 2008/615/JHA of 23 June 2008 on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime (OJ L210, 6.8.2008, p.1);
- Council Decision 2008/616/JHA of 23 June 2008 on the implementation of Decision 2008/615/JHA on the stepping up of cross-border cooperation, particularly in combating terrorism and cross-border crime (OJ L210, 6.8.2008, p.12); and
- Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA of 30 November 2009 on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities (OJ L322, 9.12.2009, p.14)

I am copying this letter to Alexander Italianer, Secretary General of the Commission, and Jeppe Tranholm-Mikkelsen, Secretary General of the Council.

Yours,
Ivan Rogers

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