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from:	Tibor Kiss, Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Hungary to the European Union
to:	Mr. Ivan Bizjak, Director-General, DGH, Justice and Home Affairs, General Secretariat of the Council
Subject:	Framework Decision 2005/214/JHA of 24 February 2005 on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties - Notification letter

Delegations will find in the annex a notification letter from Hungary.

PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF
THE REPUBLIC OF HUNGARY TO THE EUROPEAN UNION

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Mr Ivan BIZJAK
Director-General
for Justice and Home Affairs
General Secretariat
of the Council of the European Union

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Dear Sir,

I would inform you that the following Acts, attached hereto, complete the transposition of Council Framework Decision 2005/214/JHA on the application of the principle of mutual recognition to financial penalties:

- Act XXXVI of 2007 on legal assistance in respect of minor offences;
- Act XXXVIII of 1996 on international legal assistance in criminal matters;
- Act XIII of 2007 amending Act XXXVIII of 1996 on international legal assistance in criminal matters and Act CXXX of 2003 on cooperation with European Union Member States in criminal matters;
- Act CXXX of 2003 on cooperation with European Union Member States in criminal matters.

I would also inform you that the Republic of Hungary wishes to make the following declarations in respect of Articles 2 and 16 of the Framework Decision:

"Article 2

- where the Republic of Hungary is the *issuing State*, its courts are competent according to the Framework Decision,
- in application of Article 1(a)(iii) of the Framework Decision, the courts, village notaries, town notaries, town notaries with county status, metropolitan district notaries, police stations (police bodies), the Inspection of Mines, the employment

authority and the labour protection authority, the body responsible for the conservation of protected natural areas and health administration bodies of the Republic of Hungary are competent in accordance with the Framework Decision, with the **National Police Headquarters** as the central authority,

- where the Republic of Hungary is the *executing State*, the courts of the Republic of Hungary are competent in accordance with the Framework Decision,
- in application of Article 1(a)(iii) of the Framework Decision, the **National Police Headquarters** is the competent authority in accordance with the Framework Decision.

Article 16

- Article 1 of Act CXXX 67/L of 2003 expressly states that requests are received in Hungarian,
- pursuant to Act XXXVI of 2007 on legal assistance in respect of minor offences, requests may be accepted in Hungarian."

Yours faithfully,

Tibor Kiss
Ambassador