COUNCIL DECISION

of 5 June 2008

on declassifying Annex 4 to the SIRENE Manual adopted by the Executive Committee established by the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement of 14 June 1985 (1990 Schengen Convention)

(2008/422/EC)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 207, paragraph (3) thereof,

Whereas,

(1) By Decision 2003/19/EC of 14 October 2002 on declassifying certain parts of the SIRENE Manual adopted by the Executive Committee established by the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement of 14 June 1985 [1] the Council declassified certain parts of the SIRENE Manual and downgraded Section 2.3 of the SIRENE Manual as well as Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 thereto to the classification level 'Restreint UE'.

(2) The latest version of the SIRENE Manual as it appears in Commission Decisions 2006/757/EC [2] and 2006/758/EC [3] of 22 September 2006 on amending the SIRENE Manual does not contain a provision equivalent to Section 2.3 as it stood at the time of the adoption of Decision 2003/19/EC.

(3) By Decision 2007/473/EC of 25 June 2007 on declassifying certain parts of the SIRENE Manual adopted by the Executive Committee established by the Convention implementing the Schengen Agreement of 14 June 1985 [4] the Council declassified Annexes 2 and 5 to the SIRENE Manual.

(4) The Council now considers it appropriate to declassify Annex 4 to the SIRENE Manual.

(5) The classification of Annexes 1, 3 and 6 to the SIRENE Manual should remain 'Restreint UE',

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Annex 4 to the SIRENE Manual shall be declassified.

Article 2

This Decision shall take effect on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Article 3

This Decision shall be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Luxembourg, 5 June 2008.

For the Council
The President
D. MATE

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[1] OJ L 8, 14.1.2003, p. 34.
[2] OJ L 317, 16.11.2006, p. 1.
[3] OJ L 317, 16.11.2006, p. 41.
[4] OJ L 179, 7.7.2007, p. 52.