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*(Non-legislative acts)*

# DECISIONS

## COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2021/1075

## of 21 June 2021

## amending Decision 2013/488/EU on the security rules for protecting EU classified information

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 240(3) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2009/937/EU of 1 December 2009 adopting the Council's Rules of Procedure ([1]), and in particular Article 24 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Appendix B to Council Decision 2013/488/EU ([2]) contains a table of equivalence of security classifications.

(2) Appendix C to Decision 2013/488/EU contains a list of national security authorities (NSAs).

(3) France has notified the General Secretariat of the Council of changes to its security classifications. Those changes introduce two new classification markings with effect from 1 July 2021: 'TRÈS SECRET' and 'SECRET'. Information generated by France before 1 July 2021 and classified 'TRÈS SECRET DÉFENSE', 'SECRET DÉFENSE' or 'CONFIDENTIEL DÉFENSE' should continue to be handled and protected at the equivalent level of 'TRÈS SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET', 'SECRET UE/EU SECRET' or 'CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL' respectively.

(4) Furthermore, Italy and Slovenia have notified the General Secretariat of the Council of changes to their respective NSAs.

(5) The Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community ([3]) (the 'Withdrawal Agreement') was concluded by the Union by means of Council Decision (EU) 2020/135 ([4]) and entered into force on 1 February 2020. The transition period provided for in Article 126 of the Withdrawal Agreement, during which Union law continued to apply to and in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the 'United Kingdom') in accordance with Article 127 of the Withdrawal Agreement, ended on 31 December 2020. The references to the United Kingdom, its security classifications and its NSAs should therefore be removed from Appendices B and C to Decision 2013/488/EU respectively.

(6) Decision 2013/488/EU should therefore be amended accordingly,

([1]) OJ L 325, 11.12.2009, p. 35.
([2]) Council Decision 2013/488/EU of 23 September 2013 on the security rules for protecting EU classified information (OJ L 274, 15.10.2013, p. 1).
([3]) OJ C 384 I, 12.11.2019, p. 1.
([4]) Council Decision (EU) 2020/135 of 30 January 2020 on the conclusion of the Agreement on the withdrawal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community (OJ L 29, 31.1.2020, p. 1).

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Appendices B and C to Decision 2013/488/EU are replaced by the text appearing respectively in Annexes 1 and 2 to this Decision.

*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

It shall apply from 1 July 2021.

Done at Luxembourg, 21 June 2021.

*For the Council*
*The President*
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

*ANNEX 1*

APPENDIX B

EQUIVALENCE OF SECURITY CLASSIFICATIONS

| EU | TRÈS SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET | SECRET UE/EU SECRET | CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL | RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belgium | Très Secret (Loi 11.12.1998)<br>Zeer Geheim (Wet 11.12.1998) | Secret (Loi 11.12.1998)<br>Geheim (Wet 11.12.1998) | Confidentiel (Loi 11.12.1998)<br>Vertrouwelijk (Wet 11.12.1998) | nota (1) below |
| Bulgaria | Строго секретно | Секретно | Поверително | За служебно ползване |
| Czechia | Přísně tajné | Tajné | Důvěrné | Vyhrazené |
| Denmark | YDERST HEMMELIGT | HEMMELIGT | FORTROLIGT | TIL TJENESTEBRUG |
| Germany | STRENG GEHEIM | GEHEIM | VS (2) – VERTRAULICH | VS – NUR FÜR DEN DIENSTGEBRAUCH |
| Estonia | Täiesti salajane | Salajane | Konfidentsiaalne | Piiratud |
| Ireland | Top Secret | Secret | Confidential | Restricted |
| Greece | Άκρως Απόρρητο<br>Abr: ΑΑΠ | Απόρρητο<br>Abr: (ΑΠ) | Εμπιστευτικό<br>Abr: (ΕΜ) | Περιορισμένης Χρήσης<br>Abr: (ΠΧ) |
| Spain | SECRETO | RESERVADO | CONFIDENCIAL | DIFUSIÓN LIMITADA |
| France | TRÈS SECRET<br>TRÈS SECRET DÉFENSE (3) | SECRET<br>SECRET DÉFENSE (3) | CONFIDENTIEL DÉFENSE (3), (4) | nota (5) below |
| Croatia | VRLO TAJNO | TAJNO | POVJERLJIVO | OGRANIČENO |
| Italy | Segretissimo | Segreto | Riservatissimo | Riservato |
| Cyprus | Άκρως Απόρρητο<br>Abr: (ΑΑΠ) | Απόρρητο<br>Abr: (ΑΠ) | Εμπιστευτικό<br>Abr: (ΕΜ) | Περιορισμένης Χρήσης<br>Abr: (ΠΧ) |
| Latvia | Sevišķi slepeni | Slepeni | Konfidenciāli | Dienesta vajadzībām |
| Lithuania | Visiškai slaptai | Slaptai | Konfidencialiai | Riboto naudojimo |
| Luxembourg | Très Secret Lux | Secret Lux | Confidentiel Lux | Restreint Lux |
| Hungary | Szigorúan titkos! | Titkos! | Bizalmas! | Korlátozott terjesztésű! |
| Malta | L-Ogħla Segretezza<br>Top Secret | Sigriet<br>Secret | Kunfidenzjali<br>Confidential | Ristrett<br>Restricted (6) |

| EU | TRÈS SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET | SECRET UE/EU SECRET | CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL | RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Netherlands | Stg. ZEER GEHEIM | Stg. GEHEIM | Stg. CONFIDENTIEEL | Dep. VERTROUWELIJK |
| Austria | Streng Geheim | Geheim | Vertraulich | Eingeschränkt |
| Poland | Ściśle Tajne | Tajne | Poufne | Zastrzeżone |
| Portugal | Muito Secreto | Secreto | Confidencial | Reservado |
| Romania | Strict secret de importanță deosebită | Strict secret | Secret | Secret de serviciu |
| Slovenia | STROGO TAJNO | TAJNO | ZAUPNO | INTERNO |
| Slovakia | Prísne tajné | Tajné | Dôverné | Vyhradené |
| Finland | ERITTÄIN SALAINEN YTTERST HEMLIG | SALAINEN HEMLIG | LUOTTAMUKSELLINEN KONFIDENTIELL | KÄYTTÖ RAJOITETTU BEGRÄNSAD TILLGÅNG |
| Sweden | Kvalificerat hemlig | Hemlig | Konfidentiell | Begränsat hemlig |

(1) 'Diffusion Restreinte/Beperkte Verspreiding' is not a security classification in Belgium. Belgium handles and protects 'RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED' information in a manner no less stringent than the standards and procedures described in the security rules of the Council of the European Union.

(2) Germany: VS = Verschlusssache.

(3) Information generated by France before 1 July 2021 and classified 'TRÈS SECRET DÉFENSE', 'SECRET DÉFENSE' or 'CONFIDENTIEL DÉFENSE' continues to be handled and protected at the equivalent level of 'TRÈS SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET', 'SECRET UE/EU SECRET' or 'CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL' respectively.

(4) France handles and protects 'CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL' information in accordance with the French security measures for protecting 'SECRET' information.

(5) France does not use the classification 'RESTREINT' in its national system. France handles and protects 'RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED' information in a manner no less stringent than the standards and procedures described in the security rules of the Council of the European Union.

(6) The Maltese and English markings for Malta can be used interchangeably.

*ANNEX 2*

APPENDIX C

LIST OF NATIONAL SECURITY AUTHORITIES (NSAs)

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| BELGIUM<br>Autorité nationale de Sécurité<br>SPF Affaires étrangères, Commerce extérieur et Coopération au Développement<br>15, rue des Petits Carmes<br>1000 Bruxelles<br>Tel. Secretariat: +32 25014542<br>Fax +32 25014596<br>Email: nvo-ans@diplobel.fed.be | BULGARIA<br>State Commission on Information Security<br>4 Kozloduy Str.<br>1202 Sofia<br>Tel. +359 29333600<br>Fax +359 29873750<br>Email: dksi@government.bg<br>Website: www.dksi.bg |
| CZECHIA<br>Národní bezpečnostní úřad<br>(National Security Authority)<br>Na Popelce 2/16<br>150 06 Praha 56<br>Tel. +420 257283335<br>Fax +420 257283110<br>Email: oms@nbu.cz<br>Website: www.nbu.cz | DENMARK<br>Politiets Efterretningstjeneste<br>(Danish Security Intelligence Service)<br>Klausdalsbrovej 1<br>2860 Søborg<br>Tel. +45 45 15 90 07<br>Fax +45 45 15 01 90<br>Forsvarets Efterretningstjeneste<br>(Danish Defence Intelligence Service)<br>Kastellet 30<br>2100 Copenhagen Ø<br>Tel. +45 33325566<br>Fax +45 33931320 |
| GERMANY<br>Bundesministerium des Innern, für Bau und Heimat<br>Section ÖS II 5<br>Alt-Moabit 140<br>D-10557 Berlin<br>Tel. +49 30186810<br>Fax +49 30186811441<br>Email 1: OESII5@bmi.bund.de<br>Email 2: PersGS@bmi.bund.de | ESTONIA<br>National Security Authority Department<br>Estonian Foreign Intelligence Service<br>Rahumäe tee 4B<br>11316 Tallinn<br>Tel. +372 693 9211<br>Fax +372 693 5001<br>Email: nsa@fis.gov.ee |
| IRELAND<br>National Security Authority<br>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade<br>76 – 78 Harcourt Street<br>Dublin 2<br>D02 DX45 Ireland<br>Tel. 1: +353 1 4082842<br>Tel. 2: +353 1 4082724<br>Email: nsa@dfa.ie | GREECE<br>Γενικό Επιτελείο Εθνικής Άμυνας (ΓΕΕΘΑ)<br>Διεύθυνση Ασφαλείας και Αντιπληροφοριών<br>ΣΤΓ 1020 -Χολαργός (Αθήνα)<br>Ελλάδα<br>Τηλ.: +30 2106572045 (ώρες γραφείου)<br>+30 2106572009 (ώρες γραφείου)<br>Φαξ: +30 2106536279<br>+30 2106577612<br>Hellenic National Defence General Staff (HNDGS)<br>Counter Intelligence and Security Directorate (NSA)<br>227-231 HOLARGOS<br>STG 1020 ATHENS<br>Tel. +30 2106572045<br>+30 2106572009<br>Fax +30 2106536279<br>+30 2106577612 |

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| SPAIN<br>Autoridad Nacional de Seguridad<br>Oficina Nacional de Seguridad<br>Calle Argentona, 30<br>28023 Madrid<br>Tel. +34 913725000<br>Fax +34 913725808<br>Email: nsa-sp@areatec.com | FRANCE<br>Secrétariat général de la défense et de la sécurité nationale<br>Sous-direction Protection du secret (SGDSN/PSD)<br>51 Boulevard de la Tour-Maubourg<br>75700 Paris 07 SP<br>Tel. +33 171758177<br>Fax +33 171758200 |
| CROATIA<br>Office of the National Security Council<br>Croatian NSA<br>Jurjevska 34<br>10000 Zagreb<br>Croatia<br>Tel. +385 14681222<br>Fax +385 14686049<br>Email: NSACroatia@uvns.hr<br>Website: www.uvns.hr | ITALY<br>Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri<br>Dipartimento Informazioni per la Sicurezza (DIS)<br>Ufficio Centrale per la Segretezza (UCSe)<br>Via Galilei, 32<br>00185 Roma<br>Tel. +39 06478601<br>Fax +39 064885273<br>Email: nsa.ita@alfa.gov.it |
| CYPRUS<br>ΥΠΟΥΡΓΕΙΟ ΑΜΥΝΑΣ<br>ΣΤΡΑΤΙΩΤΙΚΟ ΕΠΙΤΕΛΕΙΟ ΤΟΥ ΥΠΟΥΡΓΟΥ ΑΜΥΝΑΣ<br>ΕΘΝΙΚΗ ΑΡΧΗ ΑΣΦΑΛΕΙΑΣ (ΕΑΑ)<br>Υπουργείο Άμυνας<br>Λεωφόρος Στροβόλου 172-174, 1432<br>Λευκωσία<br>Ταχυδρομικός Κώδικας: 2048<br>Τηλεφωνα: +357 22807569, +357 22807643,<br>+357 22807764<br>Τηλεομοιότυπ: +357 22302351<br>Ηλεκτρονικό Ταχυδρομείο: cynsa@mod.gov.cy<br>Ministry of Defence<br>Minister's Military Staff<br>National Security Authority (NSA)<br>172-174 Strovolou Avenue, 1432<br>Nicosia<br>Postal code: 2048<br>Tel. +357 22807569, +357 22807643, +357 22807764<br>Fax +357 22302351<br>Email: cynsa@mod.gov.cy | LATVIA<br>National Security Authority<br>Constitution Protection Bureau of the Republic of Latvia<br>P.O.Box 286<br>LV-1001 Riga<br>Tel. +371 67025418<br>Email: ndi@sab.gov.lv |
| LITHUANIA<br>Lietuvos Respublikos paslapčių apsaugos koordinavimo komisija<br>(The Commission for Secrets Protection Coordination of the Republic of Lithuania<br>National Security Authority)<br>Pilaitės ave. 19<br>LT-06264 Vilnius<br>Tel. +370 5 706 66128<br>Fax +370 706 66700<br>Email: nsa@vsd.lt | LUXEMBOURG<br>Autorité nationale de Sécurité<br>Boîte postale 2379<br>1023 Luxembourg<br>Tel. +352 24782210 central<br>Tel. +352 24782253 direct<br>Fax +352 24782243 |
| HUNGARY<br>Nemzeti Biztonsági Felügyelet<br>(National Security Authority of Hungary)<br>1024 Budapest, Szilágyi Erzsébet fasor 11/B<br>Postal address: 1399 Budapest, Pf. 710/50<br>Tel. +36-1/391-1862<br>Fax +36-1/391-1889<br>Email: nbf@nbf.hu<br>Website: www.nbf.hu | MALTA<br>Ministry for Home Affairs and National Security<br>P.O. Box 146<br>MT-Valletta<br>Tel. +356 21249844<br>Fax +356 25695321 |

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| NETHERLANDS<br>Ministerie van Binnenlandse Zaken en Koninkrijksrelaties<br>Postbus 20010<br>2500 EA Den Haag<br>Tel. +31 703204400<br>Fax +31 703200733<br>Ministerie van Defensie<br>Beveiligingsautoriteit<br>Postbus 20701<br>2500 ES Den Haag<br>Tel. +31 703187060<br>Fax +31 703187522 | AUSTRIA<br>Informationssicherheitskommission<br>Bundeskanzleramt<br>Ballhausplatz 2<br>1010 Wien<br>Tel. +43 1 53115 202594<br>Fax +43 1 53109 202594<br>Email: isk@bka.gv.at |
| POLAND<br>Agencja Bezpieczeństwa Wewnętrznego – ABW<br>(Internal Security Agency)<br>2A Rakowiecka St.<br>00-993 Warszawa<br>Tel. +48 225857663<br>Fax +48 225858509<br>Email: nsa@abw.gov.pl<br>Website: www.abw.gov.pl | PORTUGAL<br>Presidência do Conselho de Ministros<br>Autoridade Nacional de Segurança<br>Rua da Junqueira, 69<br>1300-342 Lisboa<br>Tel. +351 213031710<br>Fax +351 213031711 |
| ROMANIA<br>Oficiul Registrului Național al Informațiilor Secrete de Stat<br>– Romanian NSA – ORNISS<br>National Registry Office for Classified Information<br>Strada Mureș nr. 4<br>012275 Bucharest<br>Tel. +40 212075114<br>Fax +40 212240714<br>Email: nsa.romania@nsa.ro<br>Website: www.orniss.ro | SLOVENIA<br>Urad Vlade RS za varovanje tajnih podatkov<br>Šmartinska 152<br>1000 Ljubljana<br>Tel. +386 147817570<br>Fax +386 14781399<br>Email: gp.uvtp@gov.si |
| SLOVAKIA<br>Národný bezpečnostný úrad<br>(National Security Authority)<br>Budatínska 30<br>851 06 Bratislava<br>Tel. +421 2 6869 1111<br>Fax +421 2 6869 1700<br>Email: podatelna@nbu.gov.sk<br>Website: www.nbu.gov.sk | FINLAND<br>National Security Authority<br>Ministry for Foreign Affairs<br>P.O. Box 453<br>FI-00023 Government<br>Tel. +358 9 16055890<br>Email: NSA@formin.fi |
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