From: DPF Data Protection Function

<DPF@europol.europa.eu>

European Data Protection Supervisor

To: <EDPS@edps.europa.eu>; EDPS-Europol <EDPS-

Europol@edps.europa.eu>
DPF Data Protection Function

<DPF@europol.europa.eu>:

CC:

Sent at:

23/08/22 12:22:27

Subject: @EXT: EDPS letter dated 15 July 2022 (C2022-0703)

Dear Mr Wiewiórowski,

I am contacting you on behalf of the MB Chairperson, Mr Jérôme Bonet, with reference to your letter dated 15 July 2022 (C2022-0703) pertaining to the MB Decisions on the conditions relating to the processing of personal data on the basis of Articles 18(6), 18(6a), 18a and 18(2) of the amended Europol Regulation.

Having taken note of your request to the MB to repeal such Decisions and your expectation to receive an answer by 26 August 2022, failing which you would contemplate a possible judicial action to request their annulment, and conscious of the seriousness of the matter for all the involved actors, the MB Chairperson has informed forthwith the whole MB, while consulting it on the way forward by means of a written procedure.

In the aftermath of such a consultation and in light of the comments expressed by a number of delegations, the MB Chairperson is addressing you today with a proposal for a meeting with you at your earliest convenience, in order to explore any possible avenue to overcome the current situation and avert the occurrence of a judicial procedure. The Europol Executive Director and the MB Member for the Commission have also expressed their willingness to join this meeting.

While making this proposal to you, the MB Chairperson also wishes to underscore, on behalf of Europol as a whole, his highest consideration for the concerns you have expressed in the referred letter of 15 July and his most sincere hope that it will be possible to agree to a course of action which will safeguard legal certainty in order to fully meet all the involved data protection requirements and the operational needs of the EU law enforcement authorities.

We are confident that the proposed meeting may usefully contribute to such an outcome. Mr Bonet, Ms De Bolle and Ms Pariat would be pleased to meet with you at your office in Brussels. Would Friday 2 September at 15:00 be a suitable date and time for you? Otherwise, we would be most grateful if you would provide alternative date proposals.

We look forward to a positive reply from you and would like to thank you very much in advance for your availability.

<u>Kind r</u>egards,



P.O. Box 90850 2509 LW The Hague, The Netherlands Phone:

dpo@europol.europa.eu





My out of office message does not reply to externals.

