

Commission Decision of 3 February 2005 amending Decision
2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom (2005/94/EC, Euratom)

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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 218(2) thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Atomic Energy Community, and in particular Article 131 thereof,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 28(1) and Article 41(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission's security system is based on the principles set out in Council Decision 2001/264/EC of 19 March 2001 adopting the Council's security regulations⁽¹⁾ with a view to ensuring a smooth functioning of the decision-making process of the Union.
- (2) The Commission's provisions on security are contained in the Annex to Commission Decision 2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom of 29 November 2001 amending its internal Rules of Procedure⁽²⁾.
- (3) Appendix 1 to the Rules on security annexed to those provisions contains a table of equivalence including national security classifications.
- (4) On 16 April 2003, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Cyprus, Latvia, Lithuania, Hungary, Malta, Poland, Slovenia and Slovakia signed the Treaty concerning their accession to the European Union⁽³⁾. Appendix 1 to the Rules on security should be amended in order to take account of those States.
- (5) On 14 March 2003 the European Union signed an agreement⁽⁴⁾ with NATO on the security of information. It is therefore also necessary to establish correspondence with NATO classification levels in Appendix 1 to the Rules on security.
- (6) France and the Netherlands have changed their legislation on classification.
- (7) In the interests of clarity, Appendix 1 to the Rules on security should be replaced.
- (8) At the same time, the Annex to Decision 2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom should be corrected in order to ensure that the four classification terms are used homogeneously in all language versions,

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HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

Appendix 1 to the Rules on security contained in the Annex to Decision 2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom is replaced by the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

The Annex to Decision 2001/844/EC, ECSC, Euratom is corrected by replacing in all linguistic versions the four classification terms, as appropriate, by the following terms which shall always be written in capital letters:

- ‘RESTREINT UE’,
- ‘CONFIDENTIEL UE’,
- ‘SECRET UE’,
- ‘TRES SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET’.

Article 3

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

Done at Brussels, 3 February 2005.

For the Commission

Siim KALLAS

Vice-President

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ANNEX

Appendix	COMPARISON OF NATIONAL SECURITY CLASSIFICATIONS	SVS =
1	Verschlusssache. The classification Très secret défense, which covers governmental priority issues, may only be changed with the Prime Minister's authorisation.	Stg = staatsgeheim. EU classification TRES SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET SECRET UE CONFIDENTIEL UE RESTREINT UE WEU classification FOCAL TOP SECRET WEU SECRET WEU CONFIDENTIAL WEU RESTRICTED Euratom classification EURA TOP SECRETE EURA SECRETE EURA CONFIDENTIALE EURA RESTRICTED NATO classification COSMIC TOP SECRET NATO SECRET NATO CONFIDENTIAL NATO RESTRICTED Belgium Très Secret Secret Confidentiel Diffusion restreinte Zeer Geheim Geheim Vertrouwelijk Beperkte Verspreiding Czech Republic Přísně tajné Tajně Důvěrné Vyhrazené Denmark Yderst hemmeligt Hemmeligt Fortroligt Til tjenestebrug Germany Streng geheim Geheim VS — Vertraulich VS — Nur für den Dienstgebrauch Estonia Täiesti salajane Salajane Konfidentsiaalne Piiratud Greece Άκρως Απόρρητο Απόρρητο Εμπιστευτικό Περιορισμένης Χρήσης Abr: ΑΑΠ Abr: (ΑΠ) Abr: (ΕΜ) Abr: (ΠΧ) Spain Secreto Reservado Confidencial Difusión Limitada France Très Secret Défense Secret Défense Confidentiel Défense Ireland Top Secret Secret Confidential Restricted Italy Segretissimo Segreto Riservatissimo Riservato Cyprus Άκρως Απόρρητο Απόρρητο Εμπιστευτικό Περιορισμένης Χρήσης Latvia Sevišķi slepeni Slepeni Konfidenciali Dienesta vajadzībām Lithuania Visiškai slaptai Slaptai Konfidencialiai Riboto naudojimo Luxembourg Très Secret Secret Confidentiel Diffusion restreinte Hungary Szigorúan titkos ! Titkos ! Bizalmas ! Korlátozott terjesztésű ! Malta L-Ghola Segretezza Sigriet Kunfidenzjali Ristrett Netherlands Stg. Zeer Geheim Stg. Geheim Stg. Confidentieel Departementaal vertrouwelijk Austria Streng Geheim Geheim Vertraulich Eingeschränkt Poland Ścisłe Tajne Tajne Poufne Zastrzeżone Portugal Muito Secreto Secreto Confidencial Reservado Slovenia Strogo tajno Tajno Zaupno SVN Interno Slovakia Prísne tajné Tajně Důvěrné Vyhrazené Finland Erittäin salainen Erittäin salainen Salainen Luottamuksellinen Sweden Kvalificerat hemlig Hemlig Hemlig Hemlig United Kingdom Top Secret Secret Confidential Restricted

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- (1) [OJ L 101, 11.4.2001, p. 1](#). Decision amended by Decision 2004/194/EC ([OJ L 63, 28.2.2004, p. 48](#)).
- (2) [OJ L 317, 3.12.2001, p. 1](#).
- (3) [OJ L 236, 23.9.2003, p. 17](#).
- (4) [OJ L 80, 27.3.2003, p. 36](#).

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- Decision repeal by [EUDN 2015/444](#) Decision