

### **Declaration by the Kingdom of the Netherlands**

The Netherlands is of the opinion that the *Declaration by the Council on the consultation of the Agency within the areas of Police and Judicial Cooperation in Criminal matters* does not attribute competences to the Agency on the basis of Title VI of the Treaty on European Union.

The Netherlands emphasises that the above-mentioned declaration does not in any way prejudice the question of whether the remit of the Agency may be extended to cover the areas of police cooperation and judicial cooperation in criminal matters.

The Netherlands declares that it does not envisage to use the possibility mentioned in paragraph 3 of the said declaration.