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### EQUIVALENCE OF SECURITY CLASSIFICATIONS

EU	TRES SECRET UE/EU TOP SECRET	SECRET UE/ EU SECRET	CONFIDENTIEL UE/EU CONFIDENTIAL	RESTREINT UE/EU RESTRICTED
EURATOM	EURA TOP SECRET	EURA SECRET	EURA CONFIDENTIAL	EURA RESTRICTED
Belgium	Très Secret (Loi 11.12.1998) Zeer Geheim (Wet 11.12.1998)	Secret (Loi 11.12.1998) Geheim (Wet 11.12.1998)	Confidentiel (Loi 11.12.1998) Vertrouwelijk (Wet 11.12.1998)	nota <sup>a</sup> below
Bulgaria	Строго секретно	Секретно	Поверително	За служебно ползване
Czech Republic	Přísně tajné	Tajné	Důvěrné	Vyhrazené
Denmark	Yderst hemmeligt	Hemmeligt	Fortroligt	Til tjenestebrug
Germany	Streng geheim	Geheim	VS <sup>b</sup> — Vertraulich	VS — Nur für den Dienstgebrauch
Estonia	Täiesti salajane	Salajane	Konfidentsiaalne	Piiratud
Ireland	Top Secret	Secret	Confidential	Restricted
Greece	Άκρως Απόρρητο Abr: ΑΑΠ	Απόρρητο Abr: (ΑΠ)	Εμπιστευτικό Abr: (ΕΜ)	Περιορισμένης Χρήσης Abr: (ΠΧ)
Spain	Secreto	Reservado	Confidencial	Difusión Limitada
France	Très Secret Défense	Secret Défense	Confidentiel Défense	nota <sup>c</sup> below
Croatia	VRLO TAJNO	TAJNO	POVJERLJIVO	OGRANIČENO
Italy	Segretissimo	Segreto	Riservatissimo	Riservato

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**b** Germany: VS = Verschlussache.

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Cyprus	Άκρως Απόρρητο Abr: (ΑΑΠ)	Απόρρητο Abr: (ΑΠ)	Εμπιστευτικό Abr: (ΕΜ)	Περιορισμένης Χρήσης 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	Sigriet	Kunfidenzjali	Ristrett
Netherlands	Stg. ZEER GEHEIM	Stg. GEHEIM	Stg. CONFIDENTIEEL	Dep. VERTROUWELIJK
Austria	Streng Geheim	Geheim	Vertraulich	Eingeschränkt
Poland	Ścisłe 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	LUOTTAMUKSEKÄINEN KONFIDENTIEL	KÄINEN RAJOITETTU BEGRÄNSAD TILLGÅNG
Sweden <sup>d</sup>	HEMLIG/TOP SECRET HEMLIG AV SYNNERLIG BETYDELSE FÖR RIKETS SÄKERHET	HEMLIG/ SECRET HEMLIG	HEMLIG/ CONFIDENTIAL HEMLIG	HEMLIG/ RESTRICTED HEMLIG

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United Kingdom	UK TOP SECRET	UK SECRET	No equivalent*	UK OFFICIAL — SENSITIVE
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