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FOR THE REPUBLIC OF HUNGARY**

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**OF THE EXTERNAL BORDERS FUND**  
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1. GENERAL RULES FOR SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO BE FINANCED UNDER THE PROGRAMME

The Responsible Authority (hereinafter: RA) acts as executing body in accordance with Chapter 2, Article 7 of the Decision No. 2008/456/EC of the European Commission, as it is the provisions of Paragraph (3) that apply to the projects. It implements projects financed by the Fund in close cooperation with the competent public bodies which are in de jure monopoly situations, on the basis of law or other regulation.

The RA released the first round of a closed call for interest on 25 August 2008, by publishing it on its website and by directly sending it to the competent authorities. The applicants sent their project data sheet to the RA containing among others the following information: references to the legal basis of the de jure monopoly, to the relevant priorities of the basic act, to the multi-annual programme, as well as the short description of the planned activities, budget, and indicators.

The data sheets were evaluated by an independent Evaluation Committee formed by experts of the Professional Consultative Body, experts recommended by the ministries supervising the organizations submitting projects, and the expert of the Hungarian Scientific for Law Enforcement. The National Development Agency delegated non-voting expert. The Act CLXXXI of 2007 on the transparency of public support clarifies that expert of the organizations submitting projects must not participate in the evaluation process.

The Evaluation Committee evaluated the project data sheets arrived in time and at the place fixed in the call for applications determined by the RA in conformity, administrative, financial and technical aspects as well as the projects' conformity with the provisions of the legislation and with the multi-annual programme. Not eligible projects were rejected. Since, due to the high number of tenders rejected for formal and other reasons, the projects deemed to be eligible did not cover the available budget, the call for interest was published by the RA on 5 November, regarding priorities II and IV, again. After the evaluation equal to that of the first call, the Committee chose those tenders that would receive support.

The annual programme submitted to the European Commission is supported by the External Borders Fund Inter-Ministerial Committee and approved in accordance with Government Decision No. 1085/2007.

After the approval of the annual programme by the European Commission, the RA will publish the second round of the call for interest, and the competent authorities will work out the Detailed

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Project Sheet (DPS). Direct support agreement may not be signed until the DPS is not complete. The RA organises trainings and meetings in order to help the competent authorities preparing and implementing the projects.

During the implementation of the projects the rules of public procurement will be respected.

2. CHANGES IN THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS (if appropriate)

The RA will enlist the services of external expert chosen in line with the regulation to supervise the public procurement procedures.

3. ACTIONS TO BE SUPPORTED BY THE PROGRAMME UNDER THE PRIORITIES CHOSEN

3.1. Actions implementing priority 1:

- 3.1.1 Supply of a device for highly effective detection of persons hiding in vehicles, without vehicle disassembly
- 3.1.2 Performing joint border control actions

3.2. Actions implementing priority 2:

- 3.2.1 Installation and development of the components of border surveillance – fix thermal camera systems and perimetric sensors – considered as specific priority 2.2
- 3.2.2 Logistic Support of Aerial Detection in Border Protection

3.3. Actions implementing priority 3:

- 3.3.1 Deployment of a liaison officer from the Police Force to Serbia
- 3.3.2 The reinforcement of immigration liaison officer network capacity and the promotion of most effective cooperation between Member States networks – considered as specific priority 3.1

3.4. Actions implementing priority 4:

- 3.4.1 Development, testing and infrastructure development of the SIS II National System Integration Centre – considered as specific priority 4.1
- 3.4.2 Further development of the Central National Visa System – considered as specific priority 4.2
- 3.4.3 Further development of the Warrant Information System (SIS subsystem) infrastructure – considered as specific priority 4.1
- 3.4.4 Modernization of the IT equipment supporting the issuing of visa at border crossing points authorized
- 3.4.5 Further development of the Consular Information System – considered as specific priority 4.2
- 3.4.6 Development and internal test of specialized systems connected to SIS II managed by the Central Office for Administrative and Electronic Public Services – considered as specific priority 4.1

3.5. Actions implementing priority 5:

- 3.5.1 Regional vocational further training for consular officials
- 3.5.2 Foreign language training for Police staff
- 3.5.3 Professional training of Police staff in the field of border policing – considered as specific priority 5.1

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### **3.1. Actions implementing priority 1:**

#### **3.1.1 Supply of a device for highly effective detection of persons hiding in vehicles, without vehicle disassembly**

Purpose and scope:

After strengthening the surveillance of the green border, the rate of those who try to cross border on public roads by hiding in vehicles has increased among those who intend to cross the border illegally. The problem of vehicle search could only partly be solved by the available carbon dioxide measuring devices and endoscopes. In addition to the technical development of border control (i.e. by stable thermographic cameras installed under the support of the External Borders Fund), it is also necessary to modernize the detection devices available at border crossing points.

In the framework of the project, the Police will procure new heart-beat detector devices, in order to be able to control the storage area of lorries, busses and other vehicles without dismantling them with the aim to detect persons hiding in the respective vehicles at high-traffic border crossing points affected by illegal migration the most (Border Police Stations in Záhony, Biharkeresztes, Gyula, Nagylak, Szeged, Kelebia).

The action relates to objective 1 of priority 1 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 1 (k), Article 2 (1), and Article 35/A of Act No. XXXIV of 1994 on the Police; Article 39 of Regulation No. 62/2007 of the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement (IRM) on Official Instructions of the Police

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project deadline: December 2010

Indicators:

- procurement of 4-6 devices;
- the rate of controlled vehicles (lorry and bus traffic) will increase from 25 % to 65 %,
- the average time to control one vehicle will decrease from 3-10 minutes to 1-5 minutes.

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all equipment purchased, and on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: N/A

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 570.058 €

### 3.1.2 Performing joint border control actions

#### Purpose and scope:

To make the fight against illegal migration more effective the Police wants to facilitate the participation of the staff of the city police stations not involved earlier, but situated at the external borders by organising joint actions.

In the framework of the actions the Police also wants to help to recon the new migratory routes established as the effect of the instalment of the fix thermal cameras in progress, and to foster the cooperation of the authorities concerned, to make their activity more effective.

In this project the county police headquarters situated at the external borders will organise 1 week long force and asset regroupings at the external borders, by increasing the patrolling activity and with the participation of professionals of the border management organisations of the neighbouring countries a strengthened border control will be introduced.

The action relates to the key action d of objective 1 of priority 1 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 1, Article 2 (k) (l) and Article 35/A of Act XXXIV of 1994 on the Police; Article 39 of the Decree No. 62/2007. (XII.23.) of the Minister of Justice and Law Enforcement on the Regulations of Service of the Police

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Police (border policing offices and mobile units of Bács-Kiskun, Csongrád, Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg, Békés, Hajdú-Bihar County Police Headquarters)

#### Indicators:

- 5-6 one-week-long actions will be performed,
- during the actions the number of the controlled persons and vehicles will increase by 15%
- 10% decrease of the illegal border crossings and related illegal activities

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: Five Borders 2007 (URSUS I-IV), HERACLES 2007 (1-2 fázis), GORDIUS 2007 (1-2 fázis). Five Borders 2008 (ATLAS I-III), HERACLES 2008 (1-2 fázis), GORDIUS 2008 (1-2 fázis), AP 2007 of EBF

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 44.533 €

### 3.2. Actions implementing priority 2:

#### 3.2.1 Installation and development of the components of border surveillance – fix thermal camera systems and perimetric sensors

Purpose and scope:

As of the end of 2007, when Hungary became the member of the Schengen area, through the international illegal migration channels significant migration targeting the area of the European Union started, especially from the Ukraine to the territories of Lónya, Baradás and Beregsurány as a consequence of the channeling effect of the border control system established between Slovakia and the Ukraine in 2007. Considerable migration flow started also in Serbia, in the areas of Tompa, Röszke, Csikéria and Hercegszántó.

In order to countervail the significant migration affecting the land border, the Police intends to continue the development started under the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund, by installing further 4 stable thermal camera systems in the areas of the public road border crossing point at Lónya and of Tarpa (at the Ukrainian border), as well as in the areas of the public road border crossing point at Röszke and of Csikéria (at the Serbian border). The thermographic camera system contains the following components: laser range finder, CCD camera, the controlling, stabilising electronic and mechanic parts, mast construction, data transmission to the border policing station and security equipment. It will be possible to continuously monitor and digitally save the picture shown by the system, and to use it as evidence.

In order to capture covered area sections that cannot be seen by the fix thermal cameras, 2 mobile ground-based perimetric sensor systems consisting of 10 passive infra-red sensors, 4 cameras, and the necessary accessories will be procured, which will be able to detect movement on an area of 1-1,5 km x 300 meters and to observe it for a period of at least 5-7 days.

As a result of the installation of detection systems, the number of offenders or smugglers of human beings arrested for illegal border crossing will increase in short term but in long term the project is expected to reduce the pressure of illegal migration at the borders of Hungary. At the same time, we might face a shift in the orientation of migration from the land borders to nearby border crossing points.

The action relates to objective 1 of priority 2 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 1 (k) and Article 2 of Act No. XXXIV of 1994 on the Police; Article 17 of Regulation No. 62/2007 of the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement (IRM) on Official Instructions of the Police

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project period: 12 months

Indicators:

- In relation with Ukraine and Serbia borders 2-2 thermal cameras will be installed,
- 2 mobile ground-based sensor systems will be supplied
- The length of the border section covered with fix thermal cameras will increase by 60 km.

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- The number of joint arrests (carried out in cooperation with Ukrainian and Serbian law enforcement organs) will increase by 100 %;
- the number of illegal migrants arrested at the land border will decrease by 30 %.

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all equipment purchased; Placing a permanent plaque on the premise; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: This project is the continuation of the development of the fix thermal cameras which is the subject of the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 2.191.118 €

### **3.2.2 Logistic Support of Aerial Detection in Border Control**

Purpose and scope:

The air surveillance support of the police units responsible for the control of green border is provided by the Air Police Command of the Law Enforcement Directorate of the Central Reaction Police by using MD-500 and MI-2 type helicopters. As the aircrafts are settled at the base of the Air Police Command and they start their flight from Ferihegy (Budapest), most of the flight time is taken up by the flight to the destination and back in service activities linked to the Ukrainian, Serbian, Romanian and Croatian borders (statement of the Schengen evaluation committee: "air assistance provided by the Police is only of a theoretical importance").

To make the air surveillance working and to be a real help in the green border control, the time spent on useful operation has to be increased. As no sufficient support can be offered by the local infrastructure, the possibility of helicopter refill should be provided for. The capacity necessary for the aerial survey of the external borders can be ensured by the Police with the installation of five mobile filling stations (and procurement of the necessary logistic equipment), three of which will be installed under the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund and further two refilling stations will be installed under this project (in the territories of Békéscsaba and Kaposújlak).

The action relates to objective 1 of priority 2 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Section 1(1) (2) of Act XXXIV of 1994 on the Police; Article 17 of 62/2007 Decree of the Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement on Service Rules of the Police,

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Police (Air Police Command of the Law Enforcement Directorate of the Central Reaction Police)

Project period: 6 months

Indicators:

- 2 mobile fuel stations will be installed
- Useful flight time will increase up to 75 % at the Romanian and Croatian border



Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: The helicopters of the Air Police Command were equipped with modern navigation and surveillance equipment by using Schengen Facility. The project is based on AP 2008 of EBF of Hungary.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 27.932 €

### **3.3. Actions implementing priority 3:**

#### **3.3.1 Deployment of a liaison officer from the Police Force to Serbia**

Purpose and scope:

In the framework of the project, the criteria for the stay of the liaison officer in Belgrade, delegated under the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund, will be ensured. The activities of the liaison officer based in the areas of the Western-Balkan cover criminal information exchange and support of the cooperation with authorities abroad, and especially the categories of the following criminal offences: smuggling of human beings, trafficking in human beings, illegal migration, document forgery. The aim of the project is to facilitate the contact with local authorities and associated bodies, providing financial support for the stay and for professional activities.

The project is expected to facilitate the cooperation with the area of the Western-Balkan, including Serbia and the associated bodies in Serbia, and to accelerate and intensify the information exchange.

The preparation of co-operational agreement with the authorities of Romania and the Czech Republic and Poland is in progress.

The action relates to the key action c of objective 1 of priority 3 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 6 (2) of Decree 329/2007. (XII.13.) of the Hungarian Government; Article 14 of Act LXXXIX of 2001; Article 34 of Act LIV of 2002. on the international cooperation of the law enforcement organisations; Article 15 of Act LIV of 1999 on the legal status, tasks and competency of the International Criminal Cooperation Centre and on the international cooperation of the Hungarian criminal prosecution and the EUROPOL

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project period: 12 months

Indicators:

- extending the delegation of 1 liaison officer for 1 year
- the liaison officer will be involved in the settlement of at least 20 cases.

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: This project is the continuation of the same project of the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund

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Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 118.059 €. The Responsible Authority will respect the rules set by II.1.1.2.1 Annex XI of 2008/456/EC

**3.3.2 The reinforcement of immigration liaison officer network capacity and the promotion of most effective cooperation between Member States networks**

Purpose and scope:

The project aims at supporting the activities carried out by liaison officials delegated in the framework of the AP 2008 of EBF from the staff of the Office of Immigration and Nationality and acting also on the behalf of the Finnish and Czech partners. The officials will work in Nigeria, Turkey and Egypt. Within the scope of their activities, they will monitor the migration policies of the host country, the respective legislations and institutional changes. They will also be in contact with the local administration and law enforcement authorities and will collect information on the flow of illegal immigrants originating from or crossing the host country, on the routes chosen by illegal immigrants in order to get to the Member States, on the applied methods, on criminal organisations involved in the smuggling of human beings, on events influencing illegal migration, on forging personal identification and travel documents, on methods supporting the authorities of the host country effectively in order to prevent illegal immigration and on methods facilitating the relocation or repatriation of illegal immigrants to their countries of origin.

In addition, they will keep in touch with the ILOs accredited for the destination of the remaining countries, they will harmonize their activities, as well as, if necessary, organize and hold joint professional courses and briefings etc.

The acquired information will be transmitted also to the Czech and Finnish partner organizations, and the migration liaison officials can also manage special migration tasks if requested by the partners.

At the end of this project, the work of the immigration liaison officials will be assessed, too. During this assessment it will also be examined to what extent the acquired information provided strategic support in order to be able to introduce preventive measures related to illegal immigration.

Justification: Article 5 (1) of Government Decree 162/1999 (XI. 19.). on the Establishment of the Office of Immigration and Nationality; Article 2c) d), 4c), 5 , 7 (3)-(4) of Government Decree 113/2007 (V. 24.) on Implementation of Act I of 2007 on the Admission and Residence of Persons with the Right of Free Movement and Residence, Article 1c), d), 7c), 10 (3)-(4), 21(1), 25, 31b) c), 32a), b), 33 (1)-(3), 42 of Government Decree 114/2007 (V. 24.) on the Implementation of Act II of 2007 on the Admission and Right of Residence of Third-Country Nationals

The action relates to the key action c of objective 1 of priority 3 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Office of Immigration and Nationality

Project deadline: December 2010

Indicators:

- 3 liaison administrators will work in 2010

Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: This project is the continuation of the same project of the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 368.654 €. The Responsible Authority will respect the rules set by II.1.1.2.1 Annex XI of 2008/456/EC

### **3.4. Actions implementing priority 4:**

#### **3.4.1 Development, testing and infrastructure development of the SIS II National System Integration Centre**

Purpose and scope:

As a continuation of the development started under the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund, the SIS II National System Integration Centre (NS.CP) and the national interface (NS.ICD) will be developed further, according to the latest technical and legal changes.

The objectives of this project are the following:

- Establishment of a national copy – taking into account the experience gained during the application of SIS I and during the cooperation in the SIS II test procedure of the EU, and also the expectations of SIS II end users, the Republic of Hungary will change to use national copy. To do that, it will be necessary to enhance the hardware and software infrastructure of the national SIS II and to adjust the solution to the current NS.CP system.
- In order that factual involvement of the Republic of Hungary in system tests specified by the EU can be insured it is necessary to deal with the technical instructions of the EU at national level and to ensure continuous development of the National System Integration Centre.
- The national central system shall be prepared to operate under real conditions. In order that the national central system can meet the requirements of the EU when SIS II is used in real conditions and in order that it can communicate with the national subsystems without interruption, in addition to the development of NS.CP, NS.ICD should be developed, too.

Planned activities:

- NS.CP shall be prepared for operation under real conditions, according to ICD PSAT version designated for testing
- SIS II operational infrastructure shall be prepared, in order to insure operation according to the national copy. Hardware devices needed to create and to operate a national copy shall be supplied and installed.
- NS.CP shall be developed, in order to ensure operation according to the national copy.
- The national interface (NS.ICD) shall be developed, according to ICD PSAT version designated for testing
- Involvement in the test process of the EU

The project takes also into account the review of the expected scheduling of SIS II introduction, as well as the reorganizations of test activities.

The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 1 of Gov. Decree No. 242/2007. (IX.21.) on the appointment of the unit responsible for N.SIS IT centre, on ordering and executing data input into SIS and on the regulation of the technical and administrative tasks of the N.SIS Bureau and the SIRENE Office

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Central Office for Administrative and Electronic Public Services

Project deadline: December 2010

Indicators:

- National copy hardware and software infrastructure will be supplied;
- NS ICD will meet the requirements for operation under real conditions;
- NS. CP will be prepared to operate on the basis of the national copy and to operate under real conditions.

Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant publicity materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: Foregoing developments of the SIS II national system integration centre were made by using the Schengen Facility and are going by using AP 2007 EBF.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 2.016.293 €.

### **3.4.2 Further development of the Central National Visa System**

Purpose and scope:

This project aims at developing the National Central Visa System, on the basis of activities related to the System, financed under the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund.

The objectives of this project are the following:

- In relation to the development of the VIS and VISION systems of the EU, realization of other development needs of Member State national systems emerging meanwhile (introduction and/or use of the ICD v1.82, DTS v1.3 and VISMAIL systems),
- In relation to the changeover from SIS I to SIS II, implementation of the tasks related to the Central National Visa System (taking into account the insecurity that emerges during the introduction of SIS II).

To this end, in addition to the further development of the National Central Visa System and to its related application development, it is necessary to extend the central server park and to reconstruct a room available at the Office of Migration and Nationality for that equipment.

Considering the experience of the tests and the implementation of the system, Hungary expects that the version of the ICD and DTS will increase during 2010 as well as the present version of the VIS Mail (v0.16).

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The action relates to the objective 2 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 9, Article 21, Articles 93 to 97, Articles 106 to 108 of Act No. II of 2007 on the entry and residence of third country citizens; Articles 21, 170 and 171 of Government Regulation No. 114/2007 (May, 24) on the implementation of Act No. II of 2007 on the entry and residence of third country citizens

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Office of Immigration and Nationality

Project period: 12 months

Indicators:

- Procurement of 4 high performance servers;
- reconstruction of 1 room for the servers;
- further development of the National Central Visa System;
- 150 000 visa requests to be transmitted to VIS

Visibility: Placing a permanent plaque on the premise; Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: The National Central Visa System was established under Phare financial support, and it was further developed under the Schengen Facility. This project is the direct continuation of a project with the same subject implemented in the framework of the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 427.699 €.

### **3.4.3 Further development of the Warrant Information System (SIS subsystem) infrastructure**

Purpose and scope:

The project aims at the expansion<sup>1</sup> of the Warrant Information System infrastructure, in order to introduce SIS II. Under the project, the Police will implement the following:

- Exchange of the “backup” environment (development implemented on the basis of Phare 2002)
- Establishment of security storage capacity (currently, the secondary environment does not dispose of individual data storage capacity, thus, in case of system failure, data reload tasks might cause considerable time loss),
- Expansion of the primary hardware infrastructure, on the basis of operational experience.

These developments will enable to increase the availability of the Warrant Information System and to decrease the response time. Throughout the introduction period of SIS II, it will be possible to implement the changeover effectively and efficiently and there will be no necessary restrictions either to the performance or to the availability of the services.

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The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 36 of Act No. XXXIV of 1994 on the Police; Act No. XVIII of 2001 on warrant against persons and objects; Act No. CV of 2007 on cooperation and information exchange under the Schengen Agreement

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project period: 12 months

Indicators:

- Enhancement of the primary server memory and processor by 30 %;
- supply and commissioning of "Backup" environment server and of data storage;
- enhancement of system availability from 99.97 % to 99.99 %;
- average response time improvement of 30 %

Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: The Warrant Information System was developed under Phare financial support. This project is the direct continuation of developments implemented under the support of the Schengen Facility and of developments contained in the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 1.262.729 €.

#### **3.4.4 Modernizations of the IT equipment supporting the issuing of visa at border crossing points authorized**

Purpose and scope:

In the framework of the project, the Police will further develop and modernize the equipment park supporting visa issuing procured in 2004 for border crossing points authorized to issue visa, by supplying visa printers, scanners and IT devices. In order to enhance the security of visa issuing, a digital token key (with PKI security functionality) supporting secure usage will be supplied and adjusted to the identification system, with the aim to insure system availability only for authorized persons.

Fingerprint reading devices will be supplied later, in line with the introduction of VIS.

The action relates to the objective 2 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: 1994. Article 1 (1) and (2) 1) of Act No. XXXIV of 1994 on The Police; Article 14 of Regulation No. 62/2007 (December, 23) 23.) of the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement (IRM) on Official Instructions of the Police

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project period: 13 months

Indicators:

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- Devices will be modernized at 25 border crossing points (1-1 scanner and visa printer at each border crossing points).
- In addition to manual, mechanical person identification during visa issuing, access will be protected also by digital devices (100 pcs security keys).

Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: N/A

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 115.275 €.

### 3.4.5 Further development of the Consular Information System

Purpose and scope:

Under this project, the Consular Information System will be further developed. While there were basic developments implemented under the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund, the Annual Programme 2008 aimed inter alia at further functional developments necessary for the introduction of VIS. In relation to the Annual Programme 2009, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary plans to implement the following developments in the framework of this project:

- Further development of the system, development of the *smart client module* (without need for foreign representation server) of the Consular Information System, responsible for issuing Schengen Visa. Consequently, the functions of the Consular Information System will be available for foreign representations or foreign representation activities without complex IT server infrastructure (i.e. foreign representations where it is not possible to create a server environment for economic or other reasons, for instance a Hungarian consul operating at the foreign representation of another Member State),
- *Supply of notebooks, fingerprint readers and scanners for each “travelling consul”*. The task of travelling consuls is to travel from the residence city of the foreign representation to the respective places where he provides his services by recording the respective cases in the Consular Information System, in order to help visa claimants living at large distances. After this, the consul returns to its base where he continues to work on the respective cases.
- Establishment of a direct interface to the SIRENE Office and to other national data sources necessary for dealing with visa claims (only indirect link is available).
- Further development of the Consular Information System in line with the development of the Central National Visa Information System of the Office of Immigration and Nationality (to keep the compatibility),
- Implementation of “*minor adjustments*” necessary according to the experience of the first section, in line with the envisaged schedule of VIS introduction. Despite the detailed specifications, due to the fast development to keep the schedule, as well as considering the fact that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has no experience in handling biometric data in practice, they expect difficulties, minor problems during the daily use of the fully functional CIS in line with VIS at the consular offices of 1<sup>st</sup> phase. The CIS modified in the AP2008 will be fully VIS-compatible, but there will be need for minor fixes as well as the improvement of

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the effectiveness of the system by the experience of the users. Thus in following stages it will be possible to install an improved version.

With the implementation of the envisaged developments it can be ensured that Hungarian consular services can be provided also at places not covered by these services yet. The usage of the Consular Information System will be easier and more flexible, in order to make service provision faster, more simple and customer-friendly and more transparent for customers. The availability of background data bases will help to achieve better-founded decision making.

The action relates to the objective 2 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 2 b) e) of Government Regulation No. 113/2007 (May, 24) on the implementation of Act No. I of 2007 on the entry and residence of persons having the right of free movement and residence; Article 1 b) e) of Government Regulation No. 114/2007 (May, 24) on the implementation of Act No. II of 2007 on the entry and residence of third country citizens; Article 3 (5) c) of Government Regulation No. 166/2006 (July, 28) 28.) on the scope of activities and jurisdiction of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary

Project period: 9 months

Indicators: 20 notebooks, fingerprint readers and document readers will be supplied

Visibility: Placing the EU and RA logo on all equipment purchased for the project; Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: The very first version of the Consular Information System (v1.0) was implemented under Phare support. Subsequently, the development of the Consular Information System was carried out continuously because it was necessary to have a national legislation and institutional background, a related IT system (visa system of the Office of Immigration and Nationality) and a connection to this system; The Ministry of Foreign Affairs covered these developments by its own resources (v2.x). The implementation of the biggest reorganization so far that became necessary after Hungary joined the Schengen Treaty, and of the modifications related to the introduction of VIS is supported by the project financed under the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 157.838 €.

#### **3.4.6 Development and internal test of professional systems connected to SIS II managed by the Central Office for Administrative and Electronic Public Services**

Purpose and scope:

In order that the Republic of Hungary can meet the tasks which it undertook when it joined the Schengen Area, it is necessary to develop the national components of SIS II in line with the EU developments.

As the continuation of the project of the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund, this project aims at the development of the national professional systems (public document storage registry systems, personal data and address registry system, vehicle registry



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system, driving license system, personal identification card registry, passport registry, criminal record) managed by the Central Office for Administrative and Electronic Public Services (KEK KH), on the basis of ICDs issued by the EU in line with the changing technical or legal environment.

Under the project the following activities will be implemented: support to migration activities emerging on national side, necessary during the changeover to SIS II – in this respect the development of applications supporting the implementation of migration activities should be assured –; implementation of data cleaning activities ordered by the EU; implementation of internal tests aiming at monitoring the cooperation between national professional systems (in order to assure adequate functioning of national SIS II components during the Global test phase envisaged by the EU); as well as implementation of the EU test procedure to be carried out under the cooperation with professional systems.

The project takes into account the review of the expected scheduling of SIS II introduction, as well as the reorganization of test activities.

The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 4 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 1 of Gov. Decree No. 242/2007. (IX.21.) on the appointment of the unit responsible for N.SIS IT centre, on ordering and executing data input into SIS and on the regulation of the technical and administrative tasks of the N.SIS Bureau and the SIRENE Office

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Central Office for Administrative and Electronic Public Services

Project deadline: December 2010

Indicators:

- 7 professional systems will comply with the final ICD version;
- there will be available cleaned data bases prepared for migration; there will be available migration support applications;
- the cooperation capability of professional systems will be adequate by the deadline;
- the national professional systems will be prepared to participate in the Global Test.

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: Under the support of the Schengen Facility, the further development of specialized systems was implemented; their preparation for the introduction of SIS II will continue under the Annual Programme 2008 of the External Borders Fund.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 651.731 €.

### **3.5. Actions implementing priority 5:**

#### **3.5.1 Regional vocational further training for consular officials**

Purpose and scope:

It is for the third time now that Ministry of Foreign Affairs organizes consular training in regional form, in order to train those consuls who are involved in Schengen Visa issuing in third countries. The objective of the vocational further training is to get acquainted with a number of new community and national legislations emerging in the field of visa issuing, as well as their monitoring which is essential for the effective implementation of consular activities. In addition, since its installation at all external representation bases, the Consular Information System software has continuously been developed, making continuous consular training indispensable.

In the AP 2009 vocational further training is provided at 7 places for 3-4 day periods, respectively. The regionally organized training takes also into account that consuls have to deal with different problems specific for their regions (Balkan, Asia, America, Europe, NIS, Africa and the Middle-East).

The regional professional training aims at providing theoretical and practical knowledge related to Schengen Visa issuing, to new changes coming into force and to community and national legislations. Integral part of the training is also an interactive module where participants can learn about the rules of visa issuing through practical examples.

This type of training being both theoretical and practical character substantially contributes to the learning process and to secure the application of knowledge related to consular activities, as well as to the unification of visa issuing practice of external representations. The staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs participating in the training will transmit their knowledge to administrators working at their bases.

The courses will be held by 8 lecturers (specialist lecturers, an IT specialist, an employee of the Office of Immigration and Nationality, as national authority for visa).

The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 5 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: 113/2007. Article 2 b) e) of Government Regulation No. 113/2007; Article 1 b) e) of Government Regulation No. 114/2007; Article 3 (5) c) of Government Regulation No. 166/2006

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Hungary

Project period: 3 months

Indicators:

- 7 regional professional trainings, with a duration of 3-4 days each, with 8 lecturers each.
- 140 persons will be trained

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: This project is the continuation of the regional vocational further training implemented under the Annual Programme 2007 of the External Borders Fund

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 162.933 €.

### **3.5.2 Foreign language training for Police staff**

#### Purpose and scope:

As established by the Schengen Evaluation Committee, it is the weakness of the Police (earlier: Border Guard) that those involved in border policing activities have insufficient knowledge of foreign languages. In order to eliminate this problem, the organizations concerned started a large scale professional training programme (by using the financial means provided by the Schengen Facility and the External Borders Fund). The objective of this project is to enhance the communication level of Police staff involved in border policing activities, in order that measures against foreign citizens and the cooperation with international associated authorities can be more effective. The aim of the languages courses is that at least 30 % of border policing executive staff shall have a national or international language exam.

To this end, 400 persons will participate in English language courses. Those previously not having any competence in the given foreign language will be prepared for a basic level state language exam, while those already having competence in the given language will acquire a higher level of language competence and will take a higher level language exam. The communication skills of the staff concerned will improve, the actions involving foreign citizens, as well as the cooperation with the foreign co-authorities will become more efficient.

Language trainings of 350 hours each will be implemented in intensive form (6 hours a day) and part-time (2x6 hours a week), which also involve specialized language training of 50 hours.

The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 5 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: 1994. Article 1 (k), Article 2 (1), Article 35/A of Act No. XXXIV of 1994; Article 39 of Regulation No. 62/2007 of the Hungarian Ministry of Justice and Law Enforcement

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project deadline: December 2010

#### Indicators:

- Training for 400 persons;
- Organization of trainings of 350 hours each.
- The rate of foreign language speaking officers will increase to 30 % of the staff involved in border policing activities.

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: Language training in the framework of the Schengen Facility and the External Borders Fund

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Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 225.303 €.

### **3.5.3 Vocational further training of the staff of Police in the field of border policing**

Purpose and scope:

In the framework of the project, the Police will enhance the professional skills of staff involved in external border management, by organizing vocational further training, in order to contribute to a homogenous application of law and to the spreading of best practices. Participants will learn about the most efficient border control methods, and they will prepare to apply the most important procedures that can be used during control. Based on the courses provided under the Schengen Facility and under the Annual Programmes 2007 and 2008 of the External Border Fund, the training of staff involved in execution and directly dealing with violations of the law will continue in the fields of document control and specialized vehicle control. ADR consultant training (controlling methodology of vehicles, incl. vehicles with hazardous material at the border crossing points and close the border) will be launched by the Police, in order that at least one prepared specialist for secondary procedures can be available in each county with external borders, and in order that the organizations can dispose of prepared trainers to implement professional courses for executive staff. These are two-week trainings, respectively.

The Police will also provide 5 day tactical training, basic ADR training, as well as training for handling special situations at the borders.

The action relates to the objective 1 of priority 5 of the Multi-annual Programme.

Justification: Article 73 (2) of Act No. XLII of 1996 on service conditions of professional staff of armed bodies; Article 1 (1), Article 13 (1), Article 33 (1) b d of Act No. XXXIV of 1994 on the Police

Entities implementing the action in association with the responsible authority: National Police

Project deadline: December 2010

Indicators: 1020 persons will participate in two-week-long or five day vocational trainings

Visibility: Placing the EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.; Informing all project beneficiaries of EBF co-financing;

Complementarity with similar actions financed by other EC instruments: The training is the continuation of the vocational further training financed under the Schengen Facility and implemented under the Annual Programmes 2007 and 2008 of the External Borders Fund.

Financial information: According to the plans 75% would come from EU co-financing and 25% from national co-financing. Total amount of the action: 321.792 €.

#### 4. TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

##### 4.1 Purpose of the technical assistance

- to support the operation of the Responsible, the Certifying and the Audit Authority;
- to ensure training for the possible partners in order to help them to make an appropriate project proposal;
- to involve experts in the evaluation procedure in order to ensure the independent evaluation;
- to elaborate the experiences of projects;
- to ensure the visibility of the support of the Fund;
- to cover costs of communication between the Commission and the Responsible Authority like travel or interpretation expenses etc.
- to facilitate participation in meetings and conferences
- to provide access to the IT monitoring system (licences)
- to inform the press on the achievements of the AP
- to organise meetings/trainings on preparing the project data sheets, management of the project, eligibility rules etc for the beneficiaries and to evaluate the projects

##### 4.2 Expected quantified results

- Employment of 3 project supervisors and 2 project managers at the Responsible Authority (already employed or employment in progress)
- Employment of 2 persons at the Certifying Authority and 3 financial manager at the Responsible authority (they will be the same concerning each Funds);
- Organise at least 3 workshops for partners in project implementation;
- Organise at least 1 training in order to acquire information and knowledge needed to fulfil the tasks of the audit and certifying authorities
- Organise at least one language training for the employers of the different authorities (responsible, audit, certifying);
- Procurement of app. 20 SW licences to provide access for the competent authorities to the IT monitoring system
- Ensure the monitoring of the projects – on-the spot checks
- Ensure the visibility of the Fund
- Prepare press materials (incl. involving the necessary expertise)
- 2-3 meeting/training for the beneficiaries
- Travel and subsistence costs.

##### 4.3 Visibility of EC funding

EBF funding must be made clearly visible for any activity linked to the actions and financed under the programme. Ways to ensure visibility include:

After the approval the responsible Authority publishes the annual programme on the website of the Ministry.

The call for interest, the supported and implemented projects will be published on the website of the Ministry.

All project beneficiaries will be informed of EBF co-financing.

The EBF logo will be placed on all equipment purchased for the project.

A permanent plaque will be placed on the premise in case of infrastructural investment.

The EU logo and indication of EBF co-financing will be placed on all relevant materials, leaflets, letterhead, PR work, etc.

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The audience will be informed of EBF co-financing when projects are mentioned at seminars or conferences.

5. DRAFT FINANCING PLAN

| Annual Programme - Draft Financial Plan<br>Table 1 - Overview table |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              |                     |                 |                                       |
|---|------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Member State: [Hungary]   |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              |                     |                 |                                       |
| Annual programme concerned: [2009]                                  |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              |                     |                 |                                       |
| Fund: [External Borders Fund]                                       |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              |                     |                 |                                       |
|   | Ref.<br>priority | Ref.<br>specific<br>priority<br>(1) | Community<br>Contribution<br>(a) | Public<br>Allocation<br>(b) | Private<br>Allocation<br>(c) | TOTAL<br>(d= a+b+c) | % EC<br>(e=a/d) | Share of<br>total<br>(f=d/total<br>d) |
| <i>(all figures in euro)</i>  |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              |                     |                 |                                       |
| Action 1: [3.1.1]   | 1                |                                     | 427 544                          | 142 515                     |                              | 570 058             | 75,00%          | 6,21%                                 |
| Action 2: [3.1.2]   | 1                |                                     | 33 400                           | 11 133                      |                              | 44 533              | 75,00%          | 0,48%                                 |
| Action 3: [3.2.1]   | 2                | 2.2                                 | 1 643 338                        | 547 779                     |                              | 2 191 118           | 75,00%          | 23,86%                                |
| Action 4: [3.2.2]   | 2                |                                     | 20 949                           | 6 983                       |                              | 27 932              | 75,00%          | 0,30%                                 |
| Action 5: [3.3.1]   | 3                |                                     | 88 545                           | 29 515                      |                              | 118 059             | 75,00%          | 1,29%                                 |
| Action 6: [3.3.2]   | 3                | 3.1                                 | 276 491                          | 92 164                      |                              | 368 654             | 75,00%          | 4,01%                                 |
| Action 7: [3.4.1]   | 4                | 4.1                                 | 1 512 220                        | 504 073                     |                              | 2 016 293           | 75,00%          | 21,96%                                |
| Action 8: [3.4.2]   | 4                | 4.2                                 | 320 774                          | 106 925                     |                              | 427 699             | 75,00%          | 4,66%                                 |
| Action 9: [3.4.3]   | 4                | 4.1                                 | 947 047                          | 315 682                     |                              | 1 262 729           | 75,00%          | 13,75%                                |
| Action 10: [3.4.4]  | 4                |                                     | 86 456                           | 28 819                      |                              | 115 275             | 75,00%          | 1,26%                                 |
| Action 11: [3.4.5]  | 4                | 4.2                                 | 118 379                          | 39 460                      |                              | 157 838             | 75,00%          | 1,72%                                 |
| Action 12: [3.4.6]  | 4                | 4.1                                 | 488 798                          | 162 933                     |                              | 651 731             | 75,00%          | 7,10%                                 |
| Action 13: [3.5.1]  | 5                |                                     | 122 200                          | 40 733                      |                              | 162 933             | 75,00%          | 1,77%                                 |
| Action 14: [3.5.2]  | 5                |                                     | 168 977                          | 56 326                      |                              | 225 303             | 75,00%          | 2,45%                                 |
| Action 15: [3.5.3]  | 5                | 5.1                                 | 241 344                          | 80 448                      |                              | 321 792             | 75,00%          | 3,50%                                 |
| Technical assistance  |                  |                                     | 521 239                          | 0                           |                              | 521 239             |                 | 5,68%                                 |
| Other operations (2)  |                  |                                     |                                  |                             |                              | 0                   |                 |                                       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  |                  |                                     | <b>7 017 700</b>                 | <b>2 165 487</b>            | <b>0</b>                     | <b>9 183 187</b>    | <b>76,42%</b>   | <b>100,00%</b>                        |

(1) if appropriate

(2) if appropriate

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