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The EUROJUST revision will result in an effective and coordinated system with regard to cross-border investigations and prosecutions. Minister Bonnici explained how the increase of organised crime, very often involving more than one member state, as well as other phenomena such as cyber-crime, requires the strengthening of basic concepts such as reciprocal trust, reciprocal recognition, and legal and judicial cooperation amongst member states. He said that all this is reflected in the interdependence of legal systems and in the work done by the Maltese Presidency.

Minister Bonnici also referred to how the Maltese Presidency, together with the European Commission, worked on creating a system to facilitate a new and effective method for storing and sharing electronic evidence between one member state and another in cross-border criminal cases.

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