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WHY IS MY PERSONAL DATA TRANSMITTED TO EURODAC?

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THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS DISEMBARKED FOLLOWING A SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATION

ENGLISH

WHY AM I RECEIVING THIS BROCHURE?

You were disembarked in an EU+ country after being rescued at sea.

This brochure provides more information on the data that will be stored by the authorities and for how long.

WHY DO I HAVE TO GIVE MY FINGERPRINTS AND PHOTOGRAPH?

The authorities in this country will take your fingerprints and photograph. This data, together with information on your identity and other relevant information, will be transmitted to the Eurodac database.

Eurodac connects certain categories of people who are not nationals of an EU+ country to their unique set of fingerprints and photograph.

This database is used by 31 EU+ countries who can process your data to retrieve your information. The EU+ countries are listed at the end of this brochure.

You are now in Ireland which is an EU+ country.
The EU+ countries are:

- the 27 Member States of the European Union (EU): Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Ireland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and
- 4 other countries: Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway, Switzerland.

WHAT INFORMATION IS STORED IN EURODAC?

The following information is always stored:

- your fingerprints
- a photograph of your face
- all the names you use now or have used in the past
- your date of birth
- your place of birth
- your nationality or nationalities
- your sex
- copies of identity or travel documents you have used, where available, including information about their authenticity
- the user ID of the officer who took your fingerprints and photograph and the dates your data was taken and transmitted
- the EU+ country you entered after you were rescued.

The following information will also be stored in Eurodac where necessary:

- information on whether you accepted an offer to voluntarily return to your home country
- information on any time you returned to your home country either by your own decision or if you were removed by the authorities
- if you are selected for relocation, the EU+ country of relocation.

You have the right to access and amend incorrect information that is stored in Eurodac and request to delete your information if it has been handled unlawfully. You can contact the data controller to do this. The contact details of the data controller can be found in the brochure titled '**What you need to know about Eurodac**'.

HOW LONG WILL MY PERSONAL DATA BE STORED IN EURODAC?

Your information will be stored for 5 years and then deleted automatically.

If you obtain citizenship in an EU+ country before the expiry of this period, your data will be deleted. If your data is deleted, this will not affect your status in the country where you received citizenship.

IS ANY OTHER INFORMATION STORED IN EURODAC?

The outcome of your security check will be stored if the authorities found that you might:

- possess a weapon
- be violent
- have been involved in terrorism offences
- have committed a serious crime for which you could be arrested in another EU+ country.

In such cases, it will be considered that you could pose a threat to internal security. This will be stored in Eurodac together with the applicable reason or reasons detailed above.

If the EU+ countries no longer consider you a threat to internal security, this information will be deleted.

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