Question for written answer E-001380/2011 to the Commission Rule 117 Nick Griffin (NI)

Subject: Europol criteria:

With reference to your reply to question E-4889/2010:

- 1. Will the Commission confirm that Europol will be permitted to act in respect of crimes that exist in one Member State but are not crimes in another Member State?
- 2. Will it also confirm that it might participate in assisting an extradition from one Member State, where a crime is not recognised, to another, where a crime is recognised? Such a crime might be feasible, for example, were it to occur over the internet or via a website, and encompass a 'thought-crime' appertaining to xenophobia or racism.
- 3. Why is Europol to be provided with the ability to keep data on a person's political opinions, religious or philosophical beliefs or trades union membership and data relating to their health and sex life?

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