

Massive trans-European pay-TV fraud disrupted

Crackdown on a criminal network illegally selling audiovisual material, by Italian, Bulgarian, German, Greek, French and Dutch authorities with the support of Eurojust



18/09/2019 JOINT ACTION DAY Parallel actions carried out by judicial and law enforcement authorities throughout Europe to shut down hundreds of illegal servers. Real-time coordination of the national authorities provided through a coordination centre set up at Eurojust. European Investigation Orders and freezing orders swiftly executed across Europe to seize and secure evidence.



CASE REFERRED TO EUROJUST A case is opened at Eurojust, after detecting cross-border links to a parallel investigation into the same criminal network by the Public Prosecutor Office of Rome as well as to another five Member States. Eurojust helps to advance the investigations through quick information exchange and centralised coordination of the national authorities.



LAUNCH OF ITALIAN INVESTIGATIONS The Public Prosecutor Office of Naples starts a complex investigation into a criminal network illegally rebroadcasting and selling pay-per-view products and services.



















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< 200 servers taken offline

< 150 PayPal accounts blocked

22 suspects identified

Evidence seized: servers, digital equipment, payment instruments, record sheets