

Frankfurt am Main, 7 July 2026

Mr Che Sidanius
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Global Coalition to Fight Financial Crime

Dear Mr Sidanius,

Thank you for your letter and for the considered observations the Global Coalition to Fight Financial Crime has shared on the interplay between the EU AML/CFT and Data Protection frameworks. The GCFFC's engagement on this question is welcome.

The relationship between AML/CFT obligations and the Data Protection acquis is among the defining questions of the new framework, and one which AMLA is taking seriously. A robust and effective EU system for preventing and combating money laundering and terrorist financing must rest on a clear, proportionate and legally stable treatment of personal data. These objectives are complementary and achieving them both is part of AMLA's work.

In that spirit, and as recently announced, AMLA and the European Data Protection Board (EDPB) have agreed to develop Joint Guidelines on partnerships for information sharing under Article 75 of the AML Regulation. This work will address several of the questions raised in your letter, in particular the need for coherent supervisory expectations on information sharing within the Data Protection framework.

Beyond this specific workstream, harmonised implementation across Member States, including consistency in how Data Protection obligations are applied in the AML/CFT context, remains a core priority for AMLA. We are committed to working with industry, Financial Intelligence Units, civil society, Data Protection Authorities and other partners as the framework takes effect.

I look forward to continued exchange as our work progresses.

Yours sincerely,



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