

## Passengers named records and data protection to be voted

### Protection privacy & fighting terrorism

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#### THE DATA PROTECTION PACKAGE BY PNR SYSTEM-----

The data protection package will protect, first, the personal data of Europeans, especially against the multinationals. We made sure to strengthen the rights of users by allowing them to control their data, specifically in cases of abuse. Right to erasure, remedies, information on how the data is processed, coaching Europeans data transfers to third countries, strictly limited profiling opportunities, penalties for non-compliance: with this reform the Union will be provided with protection standards of the highest privacy in the world, which, given its demographic and economic weight, will influence the standard of the rest of the planet. Furthermore, because the technology provides new ways of monitoring the police and justice, it was essential to build a base guarantees for the rights and freedoms of citizens, while allowing the security forces to exchange information more quickly and more effectively. We managed to balance the protection of fundamental rights of citizens and strengthening the effectiveness of police and judicial cooperation across the European Union.

Regarding the fight against terrorism, it is essential to move up a gear in Europe, which implies a clear commitment of Member States: they must improve the quality of their cooperation, especially between their intelligence services, police and justice, also in connection with Europol and Eurojust. It is not only important to collect as much data as possible, still have to learn the process, analyze and exchange relevant way. This is based on a high degree of confidence that is not easy to achieve, and that is why the idea of “a European intelligence agency should not be ruled out .. All member states must stop snort to fuel databases, including the SIS II (Schengen information system), Europol's databases and file lost travel documents and stolen Interpol. Eurojust tool that could build a future European Public Prosecutor, should see its increased resources and to launch joint investigation teams.

In the range of appropriate measures, control of the movement of firearms in the European Union must be strengthened, because the legal inaccuracies of the current Directive have led too many divergent interpretations by Member States. Terrorist groups take advantage of these loopholes to easily obtain firearms illegally. Therefore, following a proposal from the Commission, we are actively working on a complete overhaul of the directive. The drying up of sources of financing of terrorism and the fight against forged documents trafficking are other fights, among others, that we must also lead. It is thus necessary that we work towards harmonization of identity documents across the EU. In short, as regards the fight against terrorism, if the PNR Directive was finally adopted, it must be clear and remain pragmatic: it is only one element of a broader package that demand above all the commitment of national authorities. Source : French Socialist MEP

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