

**Amendment 7**

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Protection of personal data in the context of elections to the European Parliament  
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**Proposal for a regulation****Recital 3***Text proposed by the Commission*

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