

**Question for written answer E-005968/2015
to the Commission**

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Subject: French Government bill on intelligence

The French Government recently submitted a bill on intelligence to the French National Assembly under the accelerated procedure. The Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights and a considerable number of civil society and business organisations have expressed serious reservations about the proposals the bill contains.

1. Has the Commission been consulted on certain provisions of the bill?
2. Does the Commission think that:
 - a. the lack of any requirement to secure legal authorisation for the interception of personal communications is consistent with the rights and values of the European Union as set out in Article 2 TFEU and the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights?
 - b. the stipulation that connection data can be kept in any form for five years before they are processed is consistent with the judgment of the Court of Justice of the European Union of 8 April 2014 in joined cases C-293/12 and C-594/12, which invalidated the Data Retention Directive?
 - c. granting intelligence services direct access to data kept by internet service providers and web hosting services with a view to computerised processing is consistent with Directive 95/46/EC on personal data protection and the legislative proposals it put forward when the data protection package was adopted?