

**Question for written answer E-002780/2019  
to the Commission**  
Rule 138  
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Subject: Ban on encryption

According to the news website Politico, the US government is considering a ban on encryption<sup>1</sup>.

1. Would the Commission consider a similar ban in the EU to be useful?
2. Would a ban on encryption in the USA render data transfers to the US illegal in light of the requirement of the EU GDPR for built-in data protection?
3. What are the implications of the ban on encryption in Russia and Australia on data transfers to these countries?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.politico.com/story/2019/06/27/trump-officials-weigh-encryption-crackdown-1385306>