## Priority question for written answer P-001323/2022/rev.1 to the Commission

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Subject: Concerns on the Trans-Atlantic Data Privacy Framework

In light of Russia's invasion of Ukraine and the resulting supply problems with Russian gas, the European Commission and the US authorities made a deal last week allowing Europe to buy 15 billion cubic metres of natural gas from the US.

On the same day, a new Trans-Atlantic Data Privacy Framework was signed. The announcement of this data deal is highly significant as it has the appearance of a trade-off between gas and the protection of personal data, exploiting the current crisis and endangering fundamental rights.

The Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) invalidated the previous data deals because of insufficient protection in the US of data rights as enshrined in the Treaty on European Union, the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union and the EU General Data Protection Regulation.

We therefore have the following questions for the Commission:

- 1. What is the reasoning behind presenting a new Trans-Atlantic Data Deal at this particular moment was this a trade-off between fundamental rights and economic interests?
- 2. What are the details of the deal?
- 3. How will the concerns raised by the CJEU in the Schrems I and Schrems II court cases be addressed?