EU/USA Agreement: protection of personal information relating to the prevention, investigation, detection, and prosecution of criminal offenses

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The European Parliament adopted by 481 votes to 75, with 88 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision on the conclusion, on behalf of the European Union, of the Agreement between the United States of America and the European Union on the protection of personal information relating to the prevention, investigation, detection, and prosecution of criminal offenses.

In line with the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs, the European Parliament **gave its consent** to the conclusion of the Agreement.

The Agreement aims at establishing a comprehensive framework of data protection principles and safeguards when personal information is transferred for criminal law enforcement purposes between the United States, on the one hand, and the European Union or its Member States on the other. Its objective is to ensure a high level of data protection.