Council of Europe Convention for the protection of individuals: automatic processing of personal data. Protocol: ratification by Member States

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The European Parliament adopted by 624 votes to 12 with 27 abstentions, a legislative resolution on the draft Council decision authorising Member States to ratify, in the interest of the European Union, the Protocol amending the Council of Europe Convention for the Protection of Individuals with regard to Automatic Processing of Personal Data.

The European Parliament gave its consent to the draft Council decision.

The purpose of the Amending Protocol is to broaden the scope, increase the level and improve the effectiveness of the data protection provided by Convention 108 in order to better address the issues relating to protection of privacy arising in the digital age.

The modernised convention (i.e. Convention 108 as amended by the Amending Protocol) will cover all types of data processing within the jurisdiction of the parties in both the public and private sectors.