Processing of personnal data and protection of privacy in the telecommunications sector, ISDN

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The Commission accepted 7 of the 11 amendments adopted by the European Parliament at second reading and amended its proposal accordingly. These amendments seek to: - simplify the title of the directive; - emphasize certain aspects of subsidiarity; - insert a new recital on cooperation between all the parties concerned in order to ensure that the technologies required to implement the guarantees offered by the directive are available; - emphasize that no recourse may be taken to the committee procedure for fundamental changes to the categories of data in the Annex to the directive; - abolish the possibility for operators to require a payment from subscribers for omitting them from the directory. However, the Commission was unable to accept the amendments relating to: - the introduction of the concept of the "user's right to information" (possibility, for the Member States, not to apply the article on directories to legal persons); - unsolicited calls.