Basic information

2001/2098(INI) INI - Own-initiative procedure	Procedure completed
Echelon interception system **Subject** 1.20.09 Protection of privacy and data protection 3.30.03 Telecommunications, data transmission, telephone **Geographical area** United States	

Key events

Date	Event	Reference	Summary
05/07/2000	Committee referral announced in Parliament		
03/07/2001	Vote in committee		Summary
03/07/2001	Committee report tabled for plenary	A5-0264/2001	
05/09/2001	Decision by Parliament	T5-0440/2001	Summary
05/09/2001	Debate in Parliament		
05/09/2001	End of procedure in Parliament		
21/03/2002	Final act published in Official Journal		

Technical information

Procedure reference	2001/2098(INI)
Procedure type	INI - Own-initiative procedure
Procedure subtype	Special committee/Committee of inquiry
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Stage reached in procedure	Procedure completed
Committee dossier	TEMP/5/12939

Documentation gateway

European Parliament

Document type	Committee	Reference	Date	Summary
Committee report tabled for plenary, single reading		A5-0264/2001	03/07/2001	
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Echelon interception system

2001/2098(INI) - 05/09/2001 - Text adopted by Parliament, single reading

The European Parliament adopted the resolution by Mr Gerhard SCHMID (PES, D) on the existence of a global system for the interception of private and commercial communications (ECHELON interception system). In the wake of the findings of the Temporary Committee of the Echelon Interception System, MEPs voted 367 to 154 with 34 abstentions in favour of this resolution which calls on the Member States to provide all European citizens with the same guarantees on the protection of privacy and confidentiality of correspondence. (Please refer to the previous text).