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**Transposition of Directive 2006/24/EC on the retention of data generated or processed in connection with the provision of publicly available electronic communications services or of public communications networks**

Taking note of the letter of 11 March 2011 of Director-General of Directorate-General Home Affairs, the European Commission, Mr Stefano Manservigi, Sweden would like to provide the following information.

On 16 March 2011 the Swedish Parliament decided to defer the adoption of the bill regarding the transposition of the Data Retention Directive. As a consequence, the bill has been referred to the responsible parliamentary committee as an adjourned proposal for at least one year from the 11 March 2011.

The decision to adjourn the proposal for one year was taken with one sixth of the votes in the Chamber, which follows a specific constitutional procedure for adjournment. The bill did, however, gain support by a majority of the members in the Chamber. The objective of adjourning a proposal is to give time for reflexion, enlightenment and debate.

When one year has passed, the parliamentary committee will anew present a proposal to the Chamber of the Parliament regarding the adoption of the transposition legislation. The committee is not allowed to put forward a new proposal before one year has passed. The Chamber will then again deal with the proposal and vote on the adoption of the bill. The earliest possible date for the coming into force of the transposition legislation is, therefore, most likely the 1 July 2012.

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