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- **At what stage is the decision-making process on the Romanian draft law transposing the Data Retention Directive?**

Nationally, it was decided that the Data Retention Directive should be transposed by a law promoted by the Ministry of Communications and Information Society (MCIS).

On June 23, 2011, the draft law was published on the MCIS website, and on July 26, a public debate took place, attended by representatives from Government, electronic communications industry (telecom operators) and civil society. Further to the comments/observations/amendments received, MCIS has drafted a new version (2) of this law which was published on the MCIS website (August 17).

In the context of the inter-institutional approval process, this draft law was already provided with favorable notice by the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Public Ministry, Romanian Intelligence Service; it received negative notice from the Romanian Data Protection Authority.

- **Which further stages are required before the Romanian draft law transposing the Data Retention Directive could be adopted? When does Romania expect the adoption of its new law transposing the Data Retention Directive?**

Timetable

At this moment, the draft law needs to receive favorable notice from the Ministry of Finances. The final version will be then send to the last two institutions for endorsement: the Department for European Affairs and the Ministry of Justice.

MCIS expects that the draft law should be approved by the Government in October. Then, it will be forwarded to the Parliament and follow the emergency procedure for its adoption, hopefully, by the end of the second Parliamentary session (December 2011).