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- Current Plans at Political Level
- eCall in the European Parliament
- Data privacy issues
- Establishment of PSAPs Groups
- Update of the USD





Current Plans at Political Level (I)

- eSafety Forum Plenary on 2-3 May 2006
- European Parliament Report on eCall
 - **Plenary Vote on 27th April**
- i2010 HL Meeting, Helsinki 27-28 September 2006
 - Presidency Conclusions
- eCall Implementation Status Report
 - Discussions at the December 2006 TTE Council - **Finnish Presidency**
 - Council Conclusions on the next steps and actions at the February 2007 TTE Council – **German Presidency**





Current Plans at Political Level (II)

- Negotiations with the automotive industry on the **voluntary implementation of eCall** in all vehicles started in 2007
 - Based on the eCall Driving Group recommendations, as approved by the eSafety Forum
- Report on the Negotiations Result with the automotive industry
 - 2nd TTE Council under the **Portuguese Presidency**, end of 2007
- **Decision on voluntary/regulatory approach**





eCall in the European Parliament

- EP: Own initiative report on 2nd eSafety Communication: Bringing eCall to citizens
- TRAN Committee – **strong support for eCall**
 - Rapporteur Mr. Gary Titley (PSE)
 - TRAN vote on 21 March 2006:
32: +, 3: -, 2 Abstentions
- Plenary vote on 27th April 2006
 - Five amendments tabled





eCall – Data Privacy issues

- **Art 29 Working Party**
- **Legislation applicable**
- **Recommendations/Open issues**





- **Presentation to IETF 25/10/05**
 - **General introduction to the service**
- **Presentation to art. 29 WP plenary meeting 25/11/05**
 - **Comments from Data protection officers from MS**
- **Discussion of comments with IETF 21/03/05**
- **Next steps: Feedback to IETF on 11/05/06**
- **Drafting of Working Paper by art. 29 WP**





eCall – Legislation related

1. Consent/Lack of consent for MSD:
art. 6, 7 Directive 95/46/EC (Data Protection)
eCall may fall under art 7 exceptions, but it is not clear for all cases
art. 9 Directive 2002/58/EC (ePrivacy)
2. Location data used by emergency services:
art. 10 Directive 2002/58/EC (ePrivacy)
Not foreseen for eCall (except exception of 10b, doubtful)
art. 26.3 Directive 2002/22/EC (USD)
Obligation to send location to PSAPs (not specifically for eCall)





Recommendations/Open issues (1)

- Assess opinion of the data subjects (citizens)
 - Eurobarometer question on privacy
- Legal basis should be clear
- Establish a contract on eCall/ get consent (if the latter, possibility of withdrawal of consent)
- Inform the buyer/hirer about eCall
- Offer possibility of de-activating the service
 - At the moment of buying the car
 - At any moment (HW/SW) to the extent feasible => Feasibility report
- Bluetooth option may encompass additional privacy requirements





Recommendations/Open issues (2)

- **Appropriate management of data:**
 - Send only data needed for the handling of the emergency (VIN issue)
 - Data controller should take appropriate mechanisms to store/protect the data
 - Data should not be used for other purposes
 - Police access?
- **Possibility of permanent tracking of the vehicle should not be allowed**
 - Explain transmission mechanism
- **VIN content**
 - Minimum strictly necessary for the appropriate handling of the emergency call
 - Mask the VIN contents not necessary (i.e., identification of vehicle)
- **FSD: Private contracts should respect data privacy principles**





PSAPs Groups

1. Expert Group on Emergency Communications

- Formal group under COCOM, Civil Protection Group
- Communication and Emergency Response representatives
- Set up of common requirements
- Pan-European basic services

2. Informal PSAPs Groups

- PSAPs representatives. Based on attendants to the Madrid 16/03/06 meeting. Open to new experts
- Estimation of additional resources for PSAPs due to eCall
- Need of robust design to avoid false calls, including system maintenance
- Exchange of information
- ...

