

REGISTER NUMBER: 631

NOTIFICATION FOR PRIOR CHECKING

Date of submission: 16/11/2010

Case number: 2010-644

Institution: European Parliament

Legal basis: article 27-5 of the regulation CE 45/2001⁽¹⁾

(1) OJ L 8, 12.01.2001

INFORMATION TO BE GIVEN⁽²⁾

(2) Please attach all necessary backup documents

1/ Name and adress of the controller

Mathieu THOMANN, Director of Security, DG PRES ASP 01H 356, BRUSSELS

2/ Organisational parts of the institution or body entrusted with the processing of personal data

DG PRES, Security and Risk Evaluation Directorate

3/ Name of the processing

Enquiries in context of accreditation of journalists and/or lobbyists to EP

4/ Purpose or purposes of the processing

Security enquiries made in view of analysis of threat connected with accreditation of (i) interest group representatives (notification 233) and (ii) journalists (notification 151)

5/ Description of the category or categories of data subjects

Any interest group representative (lobbyist) or journalist applying for accreditation to the European Parliament and whose dossier gives grounds for suspicion to the Accreditation Unit and/or EP authorities

6/ Description of the data or categories of data(*including, if applicable, special categories of data (article 10) and/or origin of data*)

Data concerning telephone numbers and communications and other data. Data collected includes a photograph, date and place of birth, ID/passport, Press Card, employer, recently published articles in some cases and job type (print journalist, TV, radio, cameraman, photographer, etc.)

7/ Information to be given to data subjects

"Rules for press accreditation to the European parliament" state the purpose of processing and indicate the contact person. An information notice is to be annexed to the accreditation application form.

8/ Procedures to grant rights of data subjects(*rights of access, to rectify, to block, to erase, to object*)

In general, implementing rules relating to Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 contained in the Bureau decision of 22 June 2005 provide for the right of data subjects in Articles 8 - 13. Specifically for this operation, the (written) enquiry report may be accessed by the data subject in accordance with the above decision. However, there is no procedure for allowing access to oral comments supplementing the report.

9/ Automated / Manual processing operation

Automated processing of data intended to form part of a filing system

10/ Storage media of data

The paper application forms are kept in a locked cupboard.

11/ Legal basis and lawfulness of the processing operation

Bureau decisions of 30 May 2001, 3 May 2004 and of 23 March, 1 April 2009. Rule 9 and Annex X to EP Rules of Procedure. The "Rules for press accreditation to the European Parliament" are published by the Media Directorate of DG COMM

12/ The recipients or categories of recipient to whom the data might be disclosed

In the context of a security enquiry, information may be transmitted to the security services of other institutions of the EU. They may be transmitted to security services of a Member State.

13/ retention policy of (categories of) personal data

Data are retained for ten years after an enquiry. The list of persons subject to limited access is kept updated constantly. (The access card itself is valid for 1 year but may be renewed.)

13 a/ time limits for blocking and erasure of the different categories of data
(on justified legitimate request from the data subject)
(Please, specify the time limits for every category, if applicable)

Information gathered in the course of an enquiry but not forming part of the final report from the enquiry will be destroyed on the conclusion of the enquiry. The enquiry report itself is retained for 10 years.

14/ Historical, statistical or scientific purposes

If you store data for longer periods than mentioned above, please specify, if applicable, why the data must be kept under a form which permits identification,

None

15/ Proposed transfers of data to third countries or international organisations

None

16/ The processing operation presents specific risk which justifies prior checking (*please describe*):

AS FORESEEN IN:

☐ Article 27.2.(a)✓

Processing of data relating to health and to suspected offences, offences, criminal convictions or security measures,

☐ Article 27.2.(b)✓

Processing operations intended to evaluate personal aspects relating to the data subject,

Yes

☐ Article 27.2.(c)

Processing operations allowing linkages not provided for pursuant to national or Community legislation between data processed for different purposes,

☐ Article 27.2.(d)

Processing operations for the purpose of excluding individuals from a right, benefit or contract,

☐ Other (general concept in Article 27.1)

17/ Comments

PLACE AND DATE: Luxembourg, 12 November 2010

DATA PROTECTION OFFICER: Jonathan Steele

INSTITUTION OR BODY: European Parliament