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**Working Party on the Protection of Individuals
with regard to the Processing of Personal Data**

RECOMMENDATION 2/97

**Report and Guidance by the International Working Group on Data Protection in
Telecommunications ("Budapest - Berlin Memorandum on Data Protection and Privacy
on the Internet")**

Adopted by the Working Party on 3 December 1997

THE WORKING PARTY ON THE PROTECTION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH REGARD TO THE PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA,

set up by Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995¹,

having regard to Articles 29 and 30, paragraph 3 of that Directive,

having regard to its Rules of Procedure, in particular to articles 12 and 14 thereof,

has adopted the following recommendation:

The Working Party at its 8th meeting in Brussels on 3 December 1997 takes note of the Report and Guidance by the International Working Group on Data Protection in Telecommunications ("Budapest - Berlin Memorandum on Data Protection and Privacy on the Internet");

Considers that this initiative might contribute to the improvement of the protection of fundamental rights of individuals, in particular their privacy, on a worldwide basis.

1 OJ no. L281 of 23/11/1995, p. 31