

AMENDMENT FORM

PART TWO
AREA OF FREEDOM, SECURITY AND JUSTICE

Suggestion for amendment of Article : 5

Suggestion for protocol :

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Article 5

Question:

What are the guarantees to prevent this Standing Committee (or any other sub-group) from:

- Coordinating internal security measures in particular police action against demonstrations in exercise of fundamental rights of assembly and association (trade union activities);
 - Collecting personal data.
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Explanation (if any) :

Background of this question:

In the 'Comments' to this article there are two references which are of utmost importance to trade unions and workers in general:

*Finally, it should be noted that the proposed committee is **not intended** to deal with **personal information or data**. Its role is confined to general operational cooperation, for example in the event of a major catastrophe, attacks and **events or demonstrations on a European scale**. Exchanges of personal information, primarily in connection with organised crime, will continue to fall within existing mechanisms (Europol in particular) and to be covered by the relevant legislation in the matter.*

Demonstrations are an important part of the exercise of fundamental rights. The intention of not dealing with personal data is not enough. That is why it is important to have a clear answer to these dangers.