RESOLUTION CONCERNING DATA PROTECTION AND THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY

Having regard to the Berlin Resolution adopted by the 11th International Conference of Data Protection Commissioners on August 30th, 1989, and more particularly the additional communiqué from the data protection commissioners of Member States of the European communities.

Noting the adoption by the Commission of the European communities of a series of draft proposals for directives concerning the protection of individuals with regard to automatic processing of personal data and the security of information systems and among others:

— a draft proposal for a council directive aiming at the harmonization of certain legislative, regulating and administrative provisions of the Member States relating to the protection of individuals with regard to automatic processing of personal data;

— a draft proposal for a council directive concerning the protection of personal data and privacy in the context of public digital telecommunications networks and in particular the Integrated Services Digital Network and Public Digital Mobile Networks;

Acknowledging that such proposals for legal instruments have been elaborated by the Commission of the European Communities without having consulted the data protection commissioners of the Member States;

The Data Protection Commissioners of the Member States of the European Communities meeting in Paris on September 19th, 1990 on the occasion of the 12th International Conference of Data Protection Commissioners,

after having heard the presentation and the explanations of the representative(s) of the Commission of the European Communities;

Resolve:

— to conduct their own analyses of the draft directives and to meet, after exchanging their conclusions, before the end of 1990 with a view to adopting a common position on these proposals;

— to inform their respective governments of any such common position in such ways as may be appropriate;

— collectively to bring any such position to the attention of the Commission and the council of the European Communities and the European Parliament so that it may be taken into consideration during the future examination of the draft directives;

— to consider — given the increasing importance of European issues — the possibility of meeting annually in conference in order to discuss more specifically any question relating to data protection within the European Communities.