

Directive 2006/24/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 on the retention of data generated or processed in connection with the provision of publicly available electronic communications services or of public communications networks and amending Directive 2002/58/EC

Article 2

Definitions

1 For the purpose of this Directive, the definitions in Directive 95/46/EC, in Directive 2002/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 7 March 2002 on a common regulatory framework for electronic communications networks and services (Framework Directive)⁽¹⁾, and in Directive 2002/58/EC shall apply.

2 For the purpose of this Directive:

- a 'data' means traffic data and location data and the related data necessary to identify the subscriber or user;
- b 'user' means any legal entity or natural person using a publicly available electronic communications service, for private or business purposes, without necessarily having subscribed to that service;
- c 'telephone service' means calls (including voice, voicemail and conference and data calls), supplementary services (including call forwarding and call transfer) and messaging and multi-media services (including short message services, enhanced media services and multi-media services);
- d 'user ID' means a unique identifier allocated to persons when they subscribe to or register with an Internet access service or Internet communications service;
- e 'cell ID' means the identity of the cell from which a mobile telephony call originated or in which it terminated;
- f 'unsuccessful call attempt' means a communication where a telephone call has been successfully connected but not answered or there has been a network management intervention.

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- (1) [OJ L 108, 24.4.2002, p. 33.](#)