

Amendment 1

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Report

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Harmonised rules on Artificial Intelligence (Artificial Intelligence Act) and amending certain Union Legislative Acts

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Proposal for a regulation

Article 5 – paragraph 1 – point d a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d a) the placing on the market, putting into service, or use of AI systems for the purpose of detecting, monitoring or analysing the behaviour of natural persons or groups thereof, in publicly accessible spaces at a distance.

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Justification

Behavioural analysis is a form of mass surveillance of public spaces which would automatically alert authorities to "abnormal behaviour". Such practices educate to conformist behaviour. Not only are these suspicion machines prone to error and falsely report countless law-abiding citizens, they are also discriminatory and ineffective for law enforcement, as studies and experience have proven. [1] This is why Parliament last year already called for "for the permanent prohibition of the use of automated analysis and/or recognition in publicly accessible spaces of... behavioural signals" (2020/2016(INI), par. 26). [1] https://www.lemonde.fr/idees/article/2023/03/10/adoptee-pour-les-jo-de-paris-2024-la-surveillance-algorithmique-n-a-jamais-fait-ses-preuves_6164900_3232.html