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Dear Commissioner, President, Supervisor, Chair and Ombudsman

EU bulk processing of information in the age of AI and cyber-attacks – 3rd Addendum

I write further to our previous correspondence on [BO-Registers](#) and [AEOL](#), and in particular our most recent letters dated [5 August](#), [6 August](#), and [14 August 2026](#) in which we reported a series of cyber-attacks and data breaches against the French Tax System and several central registers in France and other EU Member States, as well as the ECB Chairwoman's warnings about the threats of AI.

In the light of the mounting evidence of the inability of EU institutions and EU Member States to protect data collected and processed under systems introduced under EU legislation ([DAC2](#) and [6AMLD](#)), compounded by instances of cover-up (in the case of [France](#)) and misleading statements (in the case of the [Commission](#), also [here](#)), we asked the EU to order a moratorium coupled with a forensic audit of the security of Member States' systems.

Separately, we asked the Council and the EU Ombudsman to review their decision to deny the disclosure of internal EU documents showing the EU's existing data protection and data security concerns and put an end to a [culture of secrecy](#) in this area.

Less than a month after our previous correspondence, additional reports of serious cyber-attacks and the risks of agentic penetration by AI systems have come to light, including two reported [yesterday](#) and [today](#). These reports give new urgency to our requests, and the EU's accountability for any failure to act to protect its citizens' sensitive personal data.

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UK's largest
airport group
exposes data of
8.7mn
customers

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“ AI's hacking
capabilities are
severely
underestimated

Filippo Nosedà

Partner