

To the attention of:

The Council:

- President of the Council, Mr Luis AMADO
- Council's Transparency Service

The Commission:

- Commissioner Franco FRATTINI
- Unit SG/B/2, Openness, access to documents, relations with civil society

Brussels, 11 September 2007

With the present letter, we the undersigned Members of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe request on the basis of article 255 TEC and of Regulation 1049/2001 access to all the documents related to:

- the negotiation of the 2007 **Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America on the processing and transfer of passenger name record (PNR)** by air carriers to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), as well as to the documents related to the confidentiality of negotiations documents 1;
- the works of the **EU-US High Level Contact Group on Data Protection**.

Regards,

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1 Council documents 12305/07, 12307/07 and 12309/07, which appear non-accessible on the Council register and are titled as "Agreement between the European Union and the United States of America on the processing and transfer of passenger name record (PNR) data by air carriers to the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS) - Letter on confidentiality of negotiation documents".