

Council of Europe: Contact Meeting on New Communication Technologies

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In IRIS 1995-2: 10, we announced that the Council of Europe was assembling a Group of Specialists on the impact of new communications technologies on human rights and democratic values (MM-S-NT). In preparation of the future activities of this Group, the Media Section of the Council of Europe's Directorate of Human Rights organised a contact meeting on new communication technologies. The meeting took place on 22 and 23 May 1995 and was attended by representatives of the industry. Beforehand, the Media Section drafted a document containing guidelines for discussion. The guidelines concern data protection, freedom of expression, access to information channels, the dissemination of information and the functioning of institutions in a democratic society, all in relation to new communication technologies.

Council of Europe, "Contact Meeting in New Communication Technologies. Pointers for discussion on the impact of new communications technologies on human rights and democratic values", Secretariat Memorandum prepared by the Directorate of Human Rights, 20 April 1995, RC-NT (95) 2.

