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"Presentation of the Campaign against the illegal transfer of European travellers' data to the USA"

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In this campaign, European Digital Rights* will offer models of complaints that air travellers can send to the airline carriers and their national data protection commissioners. With these letters air travellers can request their personal data from the airlines and get information about which of their personal data were transferred to the US. Another letter is addressed to national data protection commissioners to urge them to investigate the transfer of personal data. The Transnational Radical Party and Radicali italiani are among the organizations supporting the initiative.

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