

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FORM FOR THE EUROPEAN CITIZENS' INITIATIVE:⁽¹⁾ Civil society initiative for a ban on biometric mass surveillance practices

1. All signatories on this form are citizens of: Cyprus

See the European Commission's website on the European Citizens' Initiative for personal identification numbers/personal identification document numbers, one of which must be provided.

2. European Commission registration number: ECI(2021)000001

3. Dates of start and end of the collection period: 17/02/2021 - 01/08/2022

4. Web address of this initiative in the European Commission's register: <https://europa.eu/citizens-initiative/public/initiatives/details/2021/000001>

5. Title of this initiative: Civil society initiative for a ban on biometric mass surveillance practices

6. Objectives of the initiative: We call on the European Commission to strictly regulate the use of biometric technologies in order to avoid undue interference with fundamental rights. In particular, we ask the Commission to prohibit, in law and in practice, indiscriminate or arbitrarily-targeted uses of biometrics which can lead to unlawful mass surveillance. These intrusive systems must not be developed, deployed (even on a trial basis) or used by public or private entities insofar as they can lead to unnecessary or disproportionate interference with people's fundamental rights. Evidence shows that uses of biometric mass surveillance in Member States and by EU agencies have resulted in violations of EU data protection law, and unduly restricted people's rights including their privacy, right to free speech, right to protest and not to be discriminated against. The widespread use of biometric surveillance, profiling and prediction is a threat to the rule of law and our most basic freedoms. In this ECI, we therefore urge the Commission to propose a legal act which will build upon, and fully respect, the general prohibitions in the GDPR and the LED to ensure that EU law explicitly and specifically prohibits biometric mass surveillance.

7. Names and email addresses of registered contact persons: Diego Javier NARANJO BARROSO (diego.naranjo@edri.org), Riccardo COLUCCINI (riccardo.coluccini@hermescenter.org)

8. Website of this initiative (if any): <https://ReclaimYourFace.eu>

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