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# **Regulation of Investigatory Powers Bill**

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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# 2. Member State

United Kingdom.

# 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate

## 3. Originating Department

Home Office, Organised & International Crime Directorate

## 4. Notification Number

#### 5. Title

Regulation of Investigatory Powers Bill

#### 6. Products Concerned

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#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The Bill would regulate investigatory powers in three areas: Interception of Communications, Intrusive Investigative techniques and Access to Encrypted Material.

The UK will fullfil it's obligation under Article 12 of Directive 98/34/EC when the Act is officially published.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Bill would bring interception legislation up to date in the light of new developments in communications technology since the Interception of Communications Act (IOCA) was enacted in 1985. It would put the use of intrusive investigative techniques on a statutory footing. Finally, it would allow law enforcement and intelligence agencies to require any person to deliver up a decryption key or the plain text of specified material in response to the service of a properly authorised notice. The powers would only apply to material which itself has been, or is being lawfully obtained. The Bill would contain strong safeguards.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

The Regulation of Investigatory Powers Bill (as introduced into the House of Commons on 9 February 2000) and the associated Explanatory Notes.

### 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No.

#### 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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#### 13. Confidentiality

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# 14. Fiscal measures

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