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## Draft Order of the Ministry of Interior on the performance of Private Security alarm systems.

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### 4. Notification Number

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### 5. Title

Draft Order of the Ministry of Interior on the performance of Private Security alarm systems.

### 6. Products Concerned

Performance of Private Security alarm systems.

### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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### 8. Main Content

The purpose of the Draft Order is to establish the legal regulations for security systems with regards to their installation, security levels and maintenance; alarm verification procedures (sequential, video, audio, personal); the transmission of alarms to State Security Forces, as well as how they are reported and disabled; mobile alarm systems; and the training of staff employed by private security firms (installation and maintenance staff, alarm processing operators and security guards responsible for personally verifying alarms).

In order to standardise the various regulations within the framework of the European Union, the EN European Standards governing the technical specifications of alarm systems will be incorporated.

### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

According to data from the 2008 Report on Private Security produced by the Cortes Generales (Spanish Parliament), 89% of all alarms transmitted to State Security Forces were false alarms. These false alarms unnecessarily disrupted police forces and wasted valuable resources that could have otherwise been used for crime prevention and tackling real criminal acts.

Bearing in mind that security systems are exclusively installed, connected to alarm centres and maintained by private security firms (direct connections to State Security Forces are prohibited), in order to address this problem, the provisions set forth in the Private Security Regulations (approved by Royal Decree 2364/1994, of December 9) must be developed regarding the "installation and maintenance of security equipment, devices and systems, as well as alarm centres and verification protocols".

As previously mentioned, the Draft Order covers aspects related to the contents and specifications of security system installation projects, who can install and maintain systems, the requirements that alarm centre operators must fulfil, alarm verification protocols, transmission, reporting and disabling procedures, and the requirements



for mobile alarm systems.

#### **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

No basic texts exist.

#### **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

Yes.

#### **12. Grounds for the Emergency**

The urgency stems from the complementarity of private security and public safety, and the need to adopt the most advanced techniques and procedures to ensure public safety and public order; i.e., the need to immediately equip both the alarm centres of security firms and State Security Forces with the appropriate tools to ensure the effectiveness and productivity of police interventions, in order to eliminate a high degree of false alarms and effectively combat crime.

The Draft Order also forms part of a drive to innovate and change current regulations, which aims to coherently, systematically and simultaneously overhaul the regulatory provisions regarding private security firms and their staff, the security measures implemented at public facilities, and the overall performance of alarm systems.

#### **13. Confidentiality**

No

#### **14. Fiscal measures**

No

#### **15. Impact assessment**

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#### **16. TBT and SPS aspects**

TBT Aspect

NO – The draft order will have no significant impact on international trade.

SPS Aspect

NO - The draft order will have no significant impact on international trade.

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