DESPINA SPANOU

MEETING WITH BCW

BU25

[23/07/2019, 10h00]

UNIT RESPONSIBLE: H2

CONTACT NUMBER OF ORGANISER: [ONLY FOR CONFERENCES ETC.]

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BASIS NO: 7983
• H2 had a meeting with X in 27th June. Even though the meeting was requested by X in personal capacity, eventually X was accompanying a representative from the Chinese company Hikvision, one of the biggest camera manufacturers in the world. (SEE BTO IN THE BACKGROUND).
BACKGROUND

BTO from the meeting with Hikvision in which BCW and Art.4(1)(b) Reg.1049/2001 participated; 27 June 2019

Hikvision was represented i.a. by Art.4(1)(b) Reg.1049/2001. BCW was also present at the meeting.

About Hikvision

Hikvision was founded in China several years ago. It is one of the biggest camera manufacturers in the world. It can provide cameras with face recognition systems. It has an EU office since 2009 in the NL, which supervises the entire EU except for UK and few countries. No 1 market share in EU. They also have a centre in UK where 25 engineers work on privacy.

As a manufacturer, they sell cameras to shippers and they sell to installers, who go in turn to users. This is the total supply chain. In most of the cases they do not know where cameras are installed. As industry were slow to migrate from closed CCTV network to IoT network, a lot of installers from past do not know about network, they just want to plug in. This is a challenge for manufacturers as it sets problems with security fixing.