

Monitoring Report 03/2026: What is DNA; Acceleration of obtaining electronic evidence; Installments for establishing a connection as an exception to the two-year contract

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In the March monitoring report, you will find a comprehensive presentation of the proposal for a DNA Regulation, which will fundamentally set the new regulatory framework for electronic communications across the European Union. We also focus on the new rules for obtaining electronic evidence, where the CTU will be the recipient of notifications about establishments or representatives for the purpose of delivering orders from authorities active in criminal proceedings. The article on consumer issues draws attention to the specifics of the installment agreement for the purpose of establishing a physical connection.

Proposal for a Regulation for the DNA

The European Commission has presented a proposal for a new Digital Networks Act, which is intended to modernise and set a new regulatory framework for electronic communications in the EU. The proposal replaces the existing European Electronic Communications Code. The aim is to support the development of next generation fibre and mobile networks, strengthen the resilience of digital infrastructure and improve the functioning of the single market. More information in the main article of the monitoring report.

New Rules for E-evidence

The European Union has adopted new rules to speed up the collection of electronic evidence in criminal proceedings across Member States. For example, if law enforcement authorities need data stored with a service provider in another EU Member State, the new system aims to ensure a faster and more direct procedure. Therefore, selected providers of digital and telecommunications services will have to designate establishments or agents for the purpose of delivering such orders and notify this information to the competent authority. In the Czech Republic, it will be the Czech Telecommunication Office. See more on page 5 of the Monitoring Report.

Specifics of the instalment agreement for the purpose of establishing the connection

If consumers conclude a fixed-term contract, this period may not exceed 24 months under the Electronic Communications Act, otherwise the contract is considered to be of indefinite duration. However, there is also an exception that is not very well known. It is an installment contract for the implementation of a physical connection, where the fixed-term contract can be longer to cover the possible higher costs of building the connection. See more on page 7 of the Monitoring Report.

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