**MEPs vote to protect freedom of panorama and effective copyright reform**

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**Intro**

*Strasbourg, 9th of July.* S&D MEPs today voted to ensure that images taken in public spaces remain free to use as part of a report on comprehensive copyright reform.

This broadcast-quality video package contains:

- stock shots of public building being snapped by citizens

**Shotlist**

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1. CUTAWAYS: VARIOUS OF TOURISTS PHOTOGRAPHYING THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT OF STRASBOURG

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1. CUTAWAYS: VARIOUS OF TOURISTS TAKING IN PICTURES FAMOUS FRENCH MONUMENTS

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM (JULY 8, 2008) (EUROPEAN COMMISSION AUDIOVISUAL – ACCESS ALL)

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**Story**

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A lot of focus in the media and in public campaigns has been on an amendment added to the report by the Liberal group which threatens the freedom of panorama - the unrestricted right to use photographs of public spaces, without infringing the rights of the architect or the visual artist. This amendment was strongly rejected in today's vote.

S&D MEPs also sent a clear signal to the EU Commission that they need a comprehensive copyright reform. This must include fair remuneration for creators and protect consumer's right.