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SCHEDULES

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OTHER GENERAL FUNCTIONS OF THE COMMISSIONER

General tasks

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- (1) The Commissioner must—

(a) monitor and enforce Parts 3 and 4 of this Act;

(b) promote public awareness and understanding of the risks, rules, safeguards and rights in relation to processing of personal data to which those Parts apply;

(c) advise Parliament, the government and other institutions and bodies on legislative and administrative measures relating to the protection of individuals' rights and freedoms with regard to processing of personal data to which those Parts apply;

(d) promote the awareness of controllers and processors of their obligations under Parts 3 and 4 of this Act;

(e) on request, provide information to a data subject concerning the exercise of the data subject's rights under Parts 3 and 4 of this Act and, if appropriate, co-operate with ^{F1}... foreign designated authorities to provide such information;

(f) co-operate with ^{F2}... foreign designated authorities with a view to ensuring the consistency of application and enforcement of ^{F2}... the Data Protection Convention, including by sharing information and providing mutual assistance;

(g) conduct investigations on the application of Parts 3 and 4 of this Act, including on the basis of information received from ^{F3}... a foreign designated authority or another public authority;

(h) monitor relevant developments to the extent that they have an impact on the protection of personal data, including the development of information and communication technologies;

^{F4}(i)
- (2) Section 3(14)(c) does not apply to the reference to personal data in sub-paragraph (1) (h).

Textual Amendments	
F1	Words in Sch. 13 para. 1(1)(e) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/419), reg. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 97(2)(a) (with reg. 5); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)
F2	Words in Sch. 13 para. 1(1)(f) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/419), reg. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 97(2)(b) (with reg. 5); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

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| F4 | Sch. 13 para. 1(1)(i) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of The Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/419) , reg. 1(2), Sch. 2 para. 97(2)(d) (with reg. 5); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1) |

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 13A inserted by [2024 c. 21 s. 31\(4\)](#)
- s. 204(1)(l) inserted by [S.I. 2024/374 Sch. 5 para. 7](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 8(1)(y) added by [2022 c. 18 \(N.I.\) Sch. 3 para. 78\(3\)](#)