



# Investigatory Powers Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 25

### PART 7

#### BULK PERSONAL DATASET WARRANTS

##### *Bulk personal datasets: interpretation*

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- (1) For the purposes of this Part, an intelligence service retains a bulk personal dataset if—
- (a) the intelligence service obtains a set of information that includes personal data relating to a number of individuals,
  - (b) the nature of the set is such that the majority of the individuals are not, and are unlikely to become, of interest to the intelligence service in the exercise of its functions,
  - (c) after any initial examination of the contents, the intelligence service retains the set for the purpose of the exercise of its functions, and
  - (d) the set is held, or is to be held, electronically for analysis in the exercise of those functions.

[<sup>F1</sup>(2) In this Part, “personal data” means—

- (a) personal data within the meaning of section 3(2) of the Data Protection Act 2018 which is subject to processing described in section 82(1) of that Act, and
- (b) data relating to a deceased individual where the data would fall within paragraph (a) if it related to a living individual.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 199(2) substituted (25.5.2018) by [Data Protection Act 2018 \(c. 12\)](#), s. 212(1), [Sch. 19 para. 200](#) (with [ss. 117, 209, 210](#)); [S.I. 2018/625](#), reg. 2(1)(g)

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#### Commencement Information

- I1** S. 199 in force at 1.9.2017 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2017/859](#), **reg. 2(c)**
- I2** [S. 199](#) in force at 25.7.2018 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2018/873](#), **reg. 2(i)**

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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):

- Sch. 3 para. 8A and cross-heading inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 18 para. 10\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 3 para. 20(2)(ha)(hb) inserted by [2023 c. 32 Sch. 18 para. 10\(3\)\(a\)](#)