



# Investigatory Powers Act 2016

## 2016 CHAPTER 25

### PART 6

#### BULK WARRANTS

#### CHAPTER 2

##### BULK ACQUISITION WARRANTS

##### *Implementation of warrants*

#### **168 Implementation of warrants**

- (1) In giving effect to a bulk acquisition warrant, the person to whom it is addressed (“the implementing authority”) may (in addition to acting alone) act through, or together with, such other persons as the implementing authority may require (whether under subsection (2) or otherwise) to provide the authority with assistance in giving effect to the warrant.
- (2) For the purpose of requiring any person to provide assistance in relation to a bulk acquisition warrant, the implementing authority may—
  - (a) serve a copy of the warrant on any person whom the implementing authority considers may be able to provide such assistance, or
  - (b) make arrangements for the service of a copy of the warrant on any such person.
- (3) A copy of a warrant may be served under subsection (2) on a person outside the United Kingdom for the purpose of requiring the person to provide such assistance in the form of conduct outside the United Kingdom.
- (4) For the purposes of this Act, the provision of assistance in giving effect to a bulk acquisition warrant includes any disclosure to the implementing authority, or to persons acting on behalf of the implementing authority, of communications data as authorised or required under the warrant.

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- (5) References in this section and in sections 169 and 170 to the service of a copy of a warrant include—
- (a) the service of a copy of one or more schedules contained in the warrant with the omission of the remainder of the warrant, and
  - (b) the service of a copy of the warrant with the omission of any schedule contained in the warrant.

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**Commencement Information**

**II** [S. 168](#) in force at 22.8.2018 by [S.I. 2018/873](#), [reg. 3\(b\)](#)

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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\(3\)\(a\)](#)