### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Data Retention Regulations 2014

## PART 2

### THE RETENTION NOTICE REGIME

#### Safeguards

#### Matters to be taken into account before giving retention notices

**5.**—(1) Before giving a retention notice, the Secretary of State must, among other matters, take into account—

- (a) the likely benefits of the notice,
- (b) the likely number of users (if known) of any telecommunications service to which the notice relates,
- (c) the technical feasibility of complying with the notice,
- (d) the likely cost of complying with the notice, and
- (e) any other impact of the notice on the public telecommunications operator (or description of operators) to whom it relates.

(2) Before giving such a notice, the Secretary of State must take reasonable steps to consult any operator to whom it relates.