



Investigatory Powers Act 2016

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PART 7

BULK PERSONAL DATASET WARRANTS

Requirement for warrant

200 Requirement for authorisation by warrant: general

- (1) An intelligence service may not exercise a power to retain a bulk personal dataset unless the retention of the dataset is authorised by a warrant under this Part.
- (2) An intelligence service may not exercise a power to examine a bulk personal dataset retained by it unless the examination is authorised by a warrant under this Part.
- (3) For the purposes of this Part, there are two kinds of warrant—
 - (a) a warrant, referred to in this Part as “a class BPD warrant”, authorising an intelligence service to retain, or to retain and examine, any bulk personal dataset of a class described in the warrant;
 - (b) a warrant, referred to in this Part as “a specific BPD warrant”, authorising an intelligence service to retain, or to retain and examine, any bulk personal dataset described in the warrant.
- (4) Section 201 sets out exceptions to the restrictions imposed by subsections (1) and (2) of this section.