

Summary Final Decision Art 60

Complaint

Reprimand to the controller

Background information

Date of final decision: 25 February 2020

LSA: FR

CSAs: BE, DE Berlin, DE Hesse, DE Lower Saxony, DE Mecklenburg-Western

Pomerania, DK, ES, FI, SE, UK

Legal Reference: Responsibility of the controller (Article 24), Security of processing (Article

32)

Decision: Reprimand

Key words: Password, Right of access, Marketing preferences, Data security

Summary of the Decision

Origin of the case

The complainants have encountered difficulties during exercise of the right to object to direct marketing and rights of access and portability.

Findings

The LSA found out during the investigation that an incident arose during the migration of the controller's consent management tool for marketing communications, causing consents not given/withdrawn considered as given/not withdrawn, and the users' communication preferences not to be taken into account in the controller's communication campaigns.

Although the LSA noted that the problem had been solved and that the users' communication preferences had been restored, it stems from this incident that, prior the migration of its consent management tool, the controller had not implemented the necessary measures as required by the Article 24 GDPR

The LSA also found that the controller's procedure to process access requests was not fully compliant with the Article 32 GDPR. Indeed, the LSA noted that, in absence of a client account, the username

and password for connection to content containing data personal data were sent to data subjects via one and the same channel.

Thus, the controller has been asked to modify this procedure. The LSA determined that the controller had improved the procedures to handle data subject rights requests and trained employees on such procedures.

Decision

The LSA issued a reprimand to the controller.