## Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

## Intelligence Services Commissioner (Additional Review Functions) (Bulk Personal Datasets) Direction 2015

The Prime Minister, in exercise of the power conferred by section 59A of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ("the Act"), directs the Intelligence Services Commissioner appointed under section 59 of the Act as follows:

## Citation and Commencement

- This Direction may be cited as the Intelligence Services Commissioner (Additional Review Functions) (Bulk Personal Datasets) Direction 2015.
- 2. This Direction comes into force on 13 March 2015.

## Additional Review Functions

- 3. The Intelligence Services Commissioner must continue to keep under review the acquisition, use, retention and disclosure by the Security Service, the Secret Intelligence Service and the Government Communications Headquarters ("the Security and Intelligence Agencies") of bulk personal datasets, as well as the adequacy of safeguards against misuse.
- 4. The Intelligence Services Commissioner must seek to assure himself that the acquisition, use, retention and disclosure of bulk personal datasets does not occur except in accordance with section 2(2)(a) of the Security Service Act 1989, sections 2(2)(a) and 4(2)(a) of the Intelligence Services Act 1994. As part of this, the Intelligence Services Commissioner must seek to assure himself of the adequacy of the Security and Intelligence Agencies' handling arrangements and their compliance therewith.
- For the purposes of this Direction, a bulk personal dataset means any collection of information which:
  - a. Comprises personal data as defined by section I(1) of the Data Protection Act 1998:
  - Relates to a wide range of individuals, the majority of whom are unlikely to be of intelligence interest;
  - Is held, or acquired for the purpose of holding, on one or more analytical systems within the Security and Intelligence Agencies.

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