

Summary Final Decision Art 60

Data Breach Notification

No infringement of the GDPR

Background information

Date of final decision: 27 January 2020

LSA: DE-Baden-Wuerttemberg

CSAs: All SAs

Legal Reference: Personal data breach (Articles 33 and 34)

Decision: No infringement of the GDPR

Key words: Personal data breach, Phishing emails

Summary of the Decision

Origin of the case

The controller stated that a phishing attack had been launched on their central servers. The email address of a subsidiary's manager had been compromised and used to send phishing emails to employees and clients.

Findings

The LSA found that the controller had carried out an investigation and a risk assessment of the breach, before communicating it to the LSA within 72 hours of becoming aware of it, as well as to the data subjects. Further, the password of the affected account was immediately changed. They also stated that the employees had been informed about the phishing attempt.

Decision

The LSA found that the controller complied with its obligations under the GDPR and closed the case.