

Summary Final Decision Art 60

Complaint

No liability of the processor

Background information

Date of final decision: 16 May 2019

LSA: FR

CSAs: AT, BE, DE-Hamburg, DE-Lower Saxony, DE-Bavaria (private sector), DK, EL,

ES, IT, NO, PT, SK,

Legal Reference: Art 6 Lawfulness of processing Decision: No liability of the processor

Key words: Data breach, Lawfulness of processing, Security of processing

Summary of the Decision

Origin of the case

The case opened after a complaint was lodged regarding fraudulent use of information relating to a room booked on a booking website. The complainant had booked a hotel room on a booking website. Shortly after, the complainant was contacted by several hotels from different cities claiming to have received a hotel reservation through the booking website.

Findings

After the investigation, the LSA considers likely that the hotel where the complainant planned to stay had suffered a data breach. The LSA notes that the processor has used the procedure to modify the hotel's password, for it to keep on accessing the processor's services.

Decision

The LSA concluded that the processor's liability in this case couldn't be established.

Comments

The LSA initiated an Article 56 GDPR proceeding for the booking website.