



The Privacy Desk

Data Protection and Privacy Newsletter

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News Updates



Australia's Bill to redress "Serious invasions of privacy"

Australia's Parliament is presently considering the Civil Remedies for Serious Invasions of Privacy Bill, 2020 (Bill). As an addition to existing privacy regime, the Bill (if enacted) will provide individuals with statutory remedies on invasion of their privacy.





Facebook – Federal Trade Commission (FTC) settlement

Recently, the US District Court approved FTC’s US\$5 billion settlement with Facebook for violation under consumer protection laws and much discussed Cambridge Analytica data scandal.

Joe Simons, the Chairman of FTC in his statement on settlement said “This settlement will require Facebook to consider privacy at every stage of its operations and provide substantially more transparency and accountability for its executives privacy-related decisions”.



Privacy in Canada amid COVID-19

The Canadian Privacy Commission has issued framework and cross Canada guidance to combat COVID-19 impact on the privacy of Canadians.





Proximus fined for DPO appointment violation

Proximus, a telecommunication company, is fined with penalty of €50,000 for non-compliance of obligation under GDPR by the Belgian Data Protection Authority.

Proximus was in violation for appointment of Data Protection Officer (DPO) who also worked as the director in the organization. As per GDPR it is required for DPO to function in an independent manner.

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Data Breach Updates



Maze attack at Cognizant

Cognizant, a multinational corporation, has succumbed to Maze ransomware attack and fears the exposure of its information. The corporation is said to have 295,000 employees with numerous clients across nations. However, Maze has not yet published any of the allegedly stolen data.



Data breach claims hits Zynga Inc.

According to a complaint filed in California Federal Court 'Words with Friends' a game by Zynga, has exposed data of over 170 million users including user names, email addresses, Facebook IDs, and other account information in violation of state consumer protection laws.

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