



# Privacy Desk

## Data Protection and Privacy Newsletter

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# Enforcement updates



## **EUR 8.15 million fine for Vodafone**

The Spanish Data Protection Authority (AEPD), fined Vodafone Espana, S.A.U. EUR 8.15 million for violations under the GDPR, Information Society Services and Electronic Commerce Act, Telecommunications Act and Law on Protection of Personal Data and Guarantee of Digital Rights. Particularly, the company was fined for processing data without appropriate technical and organizational safeguards, conduction international transfers without ensuring data security and for making telemarketing calls despite objections by the individuals. This is the largest fine imposed by AEPD.



## Apple's Privacy win in France

Advertising Companies in France had filled a complaint with Autorite de la concurrence, the French Competition Authority, against Apple's App Tracking Transparency (ATT) feature which helps users to refuse the collection of personal data by third parties. The Advertising Companies had alleged that ATT feature is against fair competition and would cause them losses. In this regard, the Authority preliminary concluded that Apple's ATT feature does not violate Competition Law of France.



## **Google's data collection in Incognito mode**

A lawsuit was filed against Google alleging that it collects personal information users without proper notice and consent while browsing in incognito mode in Chrome browser. Against which Google moved a motion to dismiss the lawsuit stating that users are notified in advance about collection of personal data in incognito mode. However, the District Court Judge of California denied the motion to dismiss the lawsuit as Google failed to establish that users and websites agreed to collecting the data and the information on the screen of the browser was misleading.

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# Guidelines issued



- **Children's rights code for digital services developers published in Netherlands.**
- **FAQ on cookies and other tracers published by CNIL, French Data Protection Authority.**
- **Report on Schrems II judgement and its Impact on the EU-U.S. Privacy Shield released by the US Congressional Research Service.**



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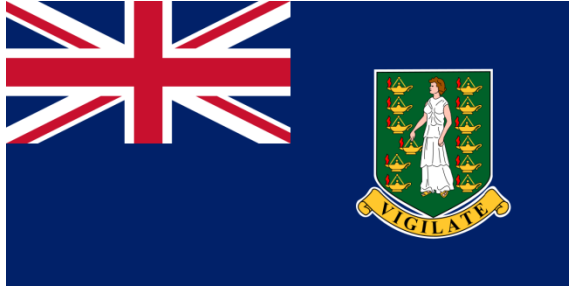
- **Thailand's Ministry of Digital Economy and Society publishes supplementary guidelines and masterplan prior to enforcement of Personal Data Protection Act.**
- **Draft guide on Mobile Device Security: Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) released by National Institute of Standards and Technology.**



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# Regulatory updates around the globe





- **The British Virgin Islands passes the Data Protection Act, 2019. Source BVI Beacon**



- **Oklahoma House of Representative passes the Computer Data Privacy Act.**



- **One-year grace period to comply with Protection of Personal Information Act will not be extended - South African Information Regulator. Source IT Web**

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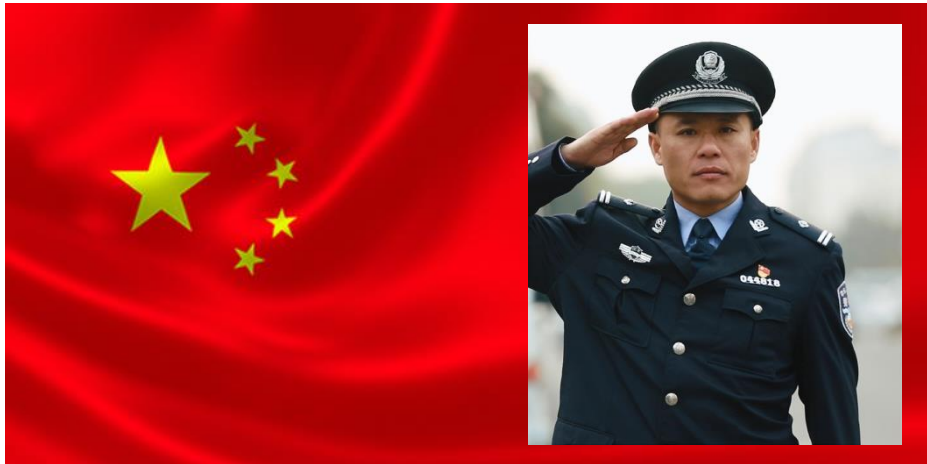




- **Members of the California Privacy Protection Agency Board announced.**
  
- **UK Government and Information Commissioner's Office, UK signs MoU on procedure for future adequacy decisions.**



- **European Banking Authority's notifies cyber-attack on its Microsoft Exchange Servers.**



- **Police of Jiangsu province, China have arrested members of a syndicate involved in illegal selling of children's personal data to online education providers – Report by the South China Morning Post**

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# EU updates





- **The European Council adopted conclusions on the EU's Cyber Security Strategy.**
- **EU Agency for Cybersecurity (ENISA) publishes statement on Microsoft Exchange vulnerabilities.**

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# India updates





- **Joint Parliamentary Committee on Personal Data Protection Bill gets extension up to first week of monsoon session for presenting the final report.**
- **India suffered nearly 12 lakh cyber security incidents in the year 2020. – Ministry of Home Affairs.**



- **Competition Commission to investigate WhatsApp's privacy policy and data sharing practises.**
- **Report on Consumer Protection (E-Commerce) Rules 2020 released by Parliamentary Committee on Subordinate Legislation. Recommends user's personal data protection.**

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