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Karel İletişim Hizmetleri A.Ş. Data Breach Notification

Karel İletişim Hizmetleri A.Ş., which has the title of data controller, has been subjected to a ransomware attack on 03.02.2024 and it has been determined that the database of the accounting software used by the data controller, company/ subscriber name and debit/credit balance and several documents containing the financial information of the data controller have been encrypted and intercepted by the attacker. It has been stated that the groups of people affected by the breach are subscribers/members, customers and potential customers, and that the categories of personal data affected are identity (name, surname, Turkish ID number) and contact (address, telephone number and e-mail address) data.

02

Details of the data breach notification can be found [here](#).

Public Library of Science (“PLOS”) Data Breach Notification

The data controller is a publishing organization that publishes open access journals and research in science, technology, medicine and other scientific literature under an open content license. The author, who works in the Infectious Diseases and Clinical Microbiology department of Ankara City Hospital, sent an article to the Public Library of Science (“PLOS”) for publication. It was determined that the author intended to provide an anonymized version of his personal data in the article, but the article file in question was openly published online without anonymization of the data of the people involved in the research study. It has been stated in the data breach notification that the investigation into the matter is ongoing.

Details of the data breach notification can be found [here](#).

03

OYAK Savunma ve Güvenlik Sistemleri A.Ş. Data Breach Notification

As a result of a ransomware attack on the data controller’s systems, a data breach occurred. The breach was detected on March 5, 2024, and it has been indicated that the affected personal data categories include; identity, contact, location, personnel, legal proceedings, customer transactions, physical space security, transaction security, risk management, finance, professional experience, visual and audio recordings, marketing, appearance, health information, criminal convictions, and security measures. The number of affected individuals has not yet been determined, and investigations are ongoing.

Details of the data breach notification can be found [here](#).



04

Allianz Sigorta A.Ş. Data Breach Notification

The National Cyber Incidents Response Center (USOM) reported that some information belonging to the data controller was offered for sale on the internet by cyber attackers and that the breach was detected on 21.03.2024. As a result of the investigations, it has been determined that unauthorized access has been provided by cyber-attackers to the platform named “Service Desk” where the data controller’s agents submit their requests and complaints. It has been stated that the personal data affected by the breach could not be determined exactly, but identity, visual and audio recordings, communication and financial (including credit card information) data, philosophical beliefs, religion, sect and other beliefs, health information and association membership data may have been affected by the breach.

Details of the data breach notification can be found [here](#).

05

French Data Protection Authority Has Decided to Impose Administrative Fines on Tagadamedia

Tagadamedia collects data from prospects through forms it offers on its websites to participate in competitions or product testing. This data is then sent to the company’s partners for commercial prospecting. Although the company claims to collect consent for its data processing, the forms used do not allow consent to be collected in compliance with the requirements of the GDPR.

During the investigations, the company provided the French DPA with two examples of forms for collecting data from prospective customers. However, the presentation of these forms did not allow free, informed and unambiguous consent to be obtained. In fact, the highlighting of the button allowing users to give their consent in contrast to that of the button allowing users not to give their consent, or the incomplete text and reduced size, strongly encouraged users to agree to the transmission of their data to partners.

Finally Tagadamedia was fined 75,000 Euros.

You can find the detail of the Decision [here](#).



06

Polish Data Protection Authority Has Decided to Impose Administrative Fines for Failure to Notify Personal Data Breach

It has been stated that seven individuals' personal data has been breached, with four identified to be at risk. The breach includes PESEL(ID) numbers and evaluations of two children's health and psychological well-being. The data controller failed to report the breach to the supervisory authority and inform the data subjects. The Polish Data Protection Authority fined the controller approximately 2,300 Euros administratively. Instructions were given to promptly communicate information about the breach to the data subjects.

You can find the detail of the Decision [here](#).

07

Polish Data Protection Authority Has Decided to Impose Administrative Fine on Insurance Company for Failure to Notify Personal Data Breach

The Polish Supervisory Authority (SA) was informed that unauthorized recipient had received a document confirming the award of compensation in an email attachment. The e-mail from the insurance company contained personal data such as first name, last name, mailing address, brand, model and registration number of the car, as well as the policy number, damage number and the amount of the claim awarded. The unauthorized recipient informed the insurance company of the receipt of an e-mail with an attachment containing someone else's personal data but did not receive any response.

The President of the Polish DPA has imposed the administrative fine in the amount of € 24.000 (PLN 103.752) on the insurance company. The reason for imposing the administrative fine was a failure to notify the personal data breach to the supervisory authority.

You can find the detail of the Decision [here](#).



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