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## RESOLUTION OF TERMINATION OF THE PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT

### VOLUNTEER

Of the procedure instructed by the Spanish Agency for Data Protection and based on  
to the following

### BACKGROUND

FIRST: On March 15, 2023, the Director of the Spanish Agency for  
Data Protection agreed to initiate sanction proceedings against BANKINTER  
CONSUMER FINANCE E.F.C., S.A. (hereinafter, the claimed party), through the  
Agreement transcribed:

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### AGREEMENT TO START THE SANCTION PROCEDURE

Of the actions carried out by the Spanish Data Protection Agency and in  
based on the following

### FACTS

FIRST: D.A.A.A. (hereinafter, the claiming party) on December 31,  
2021 filed a claim with the Spanish Data Protection Agency. The  
claim is directed, initially, against LINEA ASEGURADORA and against  
BANKINTER S.A. The reasons on which the claim is based are the following:

The claimant states that, a year and a half ago, he contracted the Línea  
Directa Bankintercard linked to your bank account, proceeding to its activation and  
stating, as associated address, that of his habitual residence in Madrid.

On November 4 and 5, 2021, the claimant verifies that, through  
said card, several cash withdrawals had been made through an ATM located

in the town of Vigo, as well as various payments.

After what happened, he contacted the claimed entity and it informed him that they had issued a duplicate of the claimant's card and that they had sent it to his supposed address (in Vigo).

He states that he has complained several times about what happened; since, it has been issued a duplicate of the card you own, without your consent, in addition to sending it to an address other than his own, but he has not received a response in this regard.

Along with the claim, the following is provided:

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Card photography.

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- Screenshot of the activation of the card (in which it appears as address associated: \*\*\*ADDRESS.1).

- Screenshot of the fraudulent operations carried out.

- Screenshot of the App, user area, (in which an address appears associated with the different card, now showing an address in Vigo: \*\*\*ADDRESS.2).

SECOND: In accordance with article 65.4 of Organic Law 3/2018, of 5 December, Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights (in hereafter LOPDGDD), said claim was forwarded to BANKINTER S.A., for to proceed with its analysis and inform this Agency within a month of the actions carried out to adapt to the requirements established in the regulations of

Data Protection.

The transfer, which was carried out in accordance with the regulations established in Law 39/2015, of October 1, of the Common Administrative Procedure of the Administrations Public (hereinafter, LPACAP), was notified on February 21, 2022, as It appears in the certification that is in the file.

On March 14, 2022, this Agency received a written response indicating that "...after analyzing the information provided by the Complainant, we have verified that Bankinter has no contractual relationship with Mr. A.A.A.. From In fact, as we will prove below, Bankinter S.A does not market the type of credit cards referenced in your claim. Of the investigations carried out we have verified that said card is marketed by our consumer subsidiary Bankinter Consumer Finance E.F.C, S.A. As we have just explained, it has been proven that between the There is no contractual relationship between the claimant and Bankinter, since the card that is the object of controversy has been issued by Bankinter Consumer Finance, E.F.C., S.A. By Therefore, Bankinter cannot make any decision on the purpose of this claim, since it does not hold the status of data controller and has not intervened in the process of issuing the card contracted by the Claimant, nor has information in this regard on the process of issuing a duplicate."

THIRD: In accordance with article 65.4 of Organic Law 3/2018, of 5 December, Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights (in forward LOPDGDD), said claim was transferred to LINEA DIRECTA ASEGURADORA CIA DE SEGUROS Y REASEGUROS SA to proceed with its analysis and inform this Agency within a month of the actions carried out carried out to adapt to the requirements established in the data protection regulations.

The transfer, which was carried out in accordance with the regulations established in Law 39/2015, of

October 1, of the Common Administrative Procedure of the Administrations

Public (hereinafter, LPACAP), was notified on February 21, 2022, as

It appears in the certification that is in the file.

On March 17, 2022, this Agency received a written response

indicating that "...That the claim is not related to this entity, since

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The issuance of credit cards is an activity reserved for certain merchants, payment service providers, and LÍNEA DIRECTA ASEGURADORA S.A. it's not a credit institution or a payment service provider, but rather an entity insurance carrier.

- That the issuer of the card is BANKINTER CONSUMER FINANCE E.F.C., S.A.
- That the card includes the LÍNEA DIRECTA brand as mere sponsorship..."

FOURTH: On March 31, 2022, in accordance with article 65 of the LOPDGDD, the claim presented by the claimant party was admitted for processing directed against BANKINTER CONSUMER FINANCE E.F.C., S.A., (hereinafter, BANKINTER CF).

FIFTH: The General Sub-directorate of Data Inspection proceeded to carry out preliminary investigation actions to clarify the facts in matter, by virtue of the functions assigned to the control authorities in the article 57.1 and the powers granted in article 58.1 of the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation, hereinafter GDPR), and in accordance with the provisions of Title VII, Chapter I, Second Section, of the

LOPDGDD, having knowledge of the following extremes:

## RESULT OF INVESTIGATION ACTIONS

On June 8, 2022, additional information is requested from the complaining party, both to the natural person and to the person who submitted the claim on their behalf, to provide evidence of the communications you have maintained with the claimed part and that have not been answered.

The postal notification to the natural person is collected on June 15, 2022, while the notification to the person who filed the claim is accepted with dated June 9, 2022.

Although, no reply has been received.

Using the bank account number provided by the claimant, the at <https://www.iban.es> the name of the bank through its bank entity code and it is found that the entity is BANKIA, S.A., now integrated into CAIXABANK, S.A.

Asked about the ownership of the bank account, as well as about the relationship with BANKINTER CF, dated June 23, 2022, CAIXABANK, S.A sends this

Agency the following information and statements:

- That the account number referred to by the claimant is the new numbering in CAIXABANK, S.A. from an account that initially belonged to BANKIA, S.A. The ownership of the account corresponds to the claimant.
- That CAIXABANK, S.A. does not maintain a relationship with BANKINTER CF for the issuance Of cards.
- That there is no relationship between CAIXABANK, S.A. and BANKINTER CF for the granting and activation of cards and therefore no protocol has been developed some.

Once a first request for information has been made to BANKINTER CF, the latter sends, with dated June 22, 2022 (entry registration number in the AEPD

REGAGE22e00025885620), a statement of allegations that includes:

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- Confirmation that the ownership of the bank card object of the claim belongs to the claimant.

- The extract dated November 2021 of the card indicated by the claimant, where the veracity of the facts claimed is confirmed: two withdrawals of cash through an ATM in Vigo and two payments in that town.

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The claimed party acknowledges that there has been identity theft: “[...]”

This action, due to the client's claim, was considered carried out due to an alleged supplanter”.

- BANKINTER CF indicates that it has "a customer identification system for your connection to the telephone service, based on the ID number plus a 4-digit Personal Access Code (CAP), known only to the customer. In it In the event that the client does not remember this code, questions are asked security (date of birth, full address, telephone number and bank where the card is domiciled) and a new CAP is assigned.”

- BANKINTER CF details the card application procedure online:

First of all, the client must enter their Client Area on the web

[www.bankinterconsumerfinance.com](http://www.bankinterconsumerfinance.com). To access your Customer Area you must Identify yourself in advance by entering your username and password.

Once you have accessed the Customer Area, you must select the option

“Block card” in the available operating menu.

Once the reason is indicated, you are presented with the action confirmation screen that you have applied for, indicating that a new card will be issued. In this screen, you must enter the 6-digit OTP that has been sent to the mobile phone the client's.

On July 18, 2022 (entry registration number in the AEPD

REGAGE22e00030983051), the claimed party sends this Agency a letter of response to the second information requirement that includes:

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"Customer Identification Procedure Manual in customer service telephone service", which regulates telephone action for the identification and modification of the personal data of its clients through telephone channels and that includes the arguments and instructions provided to telephone operators who manage these processes.

Information about the postal delivery of payment cards. refer part claimed that uses a standard or ordinary modality for sending the cards, no certificate. In order for a customer to use the card, it is

It is necessary to activate it previously and there are two methods to do this:

o Web channel, in which the client must enter their username and password in the customer area and then enter the signature OTP of the operation, sent by SMS to the associated telephone number.

o Telephone channel, after being identified as explained above.

- Copies of the recordings of the telephone calls made.

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The claimed party states that no notice was sent by SMS to the number number Tfno\_inicial or through another channel informing of the change of telephone number and incident in which "customers can consult at any time what are the data of contact that they have informed in their "Customer Area".

On November 10, 2022 (entry registration number in the AEPD REGAGE22e00051124905), the claimed party sends this Agency a response to the third information requirement with the following information and statements:

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The Entity does not allow the change of passwords to access the web application through telephone channels.

- The change of passwords to access the web application can only be carried out through the web environment itself, in accordance with the procedure described in the "User Generation and Reactivation Procedure Manual on Web/App"

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Information on the claimant's password change requests for the web access that have been received from January 1, 2020 to the present, along with the evidence associated with said requests and the details of the information collected to prove the identity of the claimant.

On October 3, 2022, additional information is requested from the complaining party, both to the natural person and to the person who submitted the claim on their behalf, to provide information on whether a complaint has been filed with the police



denunciation of this identity theft that is being claimed and indications

about a possible loss of your personal data.

The postal notification to the natural person is collected on October 11, 2022,

while the notification to the person who filed the claim is accepted with

date October 4, 2022.

Although, no reply has been received.

#### CHRONOLOGICAL DESCRIPTION OF THE EVENTS

1. On February 6, 2018, at the client's request, the issuance of

the card numbered \*\*\*NUMBER.1, which is the card that is the object of the claim,

which is activated on the client website on February 7, 2018, prior

correct introduction of the connection username and password and the OTP signature of

the operation, sent to the telephone number Tfno\_inicial.

The claimed party facilitates the screenshot of the logs of this operation, in

which shows the verification of the OTP signature of the operation, sent to the

active telephone number of the claimant, Tfno\_inicial.

1. On October 26, 2021 at 5:25 p.m., by telephone call to the

customer service and after identification, the telephone number is added

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Tfno\_supl\_1 as the new contact telephone number for the operator that

answered the call, with user number SO17186. Telephone Modification.

The claimed party provides as evidence the copy of the recording of the

phone call, which will be analyzed later in this report.

2. Regarding address changes, dated October 26, 2021 at

23:05h is added as postal address: \*\*\*ADDRESS.2. Said modification is

made through the customer website, after correctly entering the username and password

of connection and of the OTP of signature of the operation, sent for this purpose to the number of

phone number\_suppl\_1. Postal Address Modification.

The claimed party facilitates the data modification procedure through the

customer website, as well as the screenshot of the logs of this operation, in

which shows the correct authentication of the user (prior introduction of the

username and password) and verification of the OTP signature of the operation,

sent to the claimant's active telephone number (in this case, the

telephone number of the alleged impersonator Tfno\_supl\_1). It also provides capture

screen of the shipment and delivery logs of the signature OTP to the telephone number

Phone\_supp\_1.

3. On October 27, 2021 at 09:11 a.m., by phone call to the

customer service and after identification, the deletion of the

numbers \*\*\*PHONE.1 and Phone\_initial; remaining as the only number of

contact the Tfno\_supl\_1. Said deletion is executed by the operator who attended

the call, with user number AAXXXXXX. Telephone Modification.

The requested party delivers as evidence the copy of the recording of the call

telephone.

4. On October 27, 2021 at 09:37 a.m., on the client website (loss of the

card), the card (...) is automatically issued as a replacement for the previous one.

ISSUANCE OF THE CARD.

The claimed party facilitates the screenshot of the logs of this operation, in

which shows the verification of the OTP signature of the operation, sent to the

claimant's active phone number (in this case, the phone number of the claimant)

presumed impersonator Tfno\_supl\_1). It also provides screenshot of the sending and delivery logs of the signature OTP to the telephone number Tfno\_supl\_1.

5. On October 27, 2021 at 12:43 p.m., a request for modification of the user's keys, which is executed by means of the correct introduction of the OTP code sent by SMS to the telephone number Tfno\_supl\_1.

The claimed party provides evidence of this operation: fingerprint, OTP shipment and traces.

6. This card issued on October 27, 2021 is activated by the customer website dated November 3, 2021, after correct user input and connection password and the OTP for signing the operation, sent to the phone

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Tfno\_supl\_1, and is the one with which the operations of days 4 and 5 of November 2021. Activation of the card.

The claimed party facilitates the screenshot of the logs of this operation, in which shows the verification of the OTP signature of the operation, sent to the claimant's active phone number (in this case, the phone number of the claimant) presumed impersonator Tfno\_supl\_1). It also provides screenshot of the sending and delivery logs of the signature OTP to the telephone number Tfno\_supl\_1.

7. On November 3, 2021, on the customer website, the password is changed access to the web application on three occasions (4:25 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 5:50 p.m.) through of the correct introduction of the three OTP keys –one for each request for modification – which are sent by SMS to the telephone number Tfno\_supl\_1.

Change of password.

The claimed party provides evidence of these operations: fingerprint, shipping OTP and traces.

8. On November 5, 2021, by telephone call to the services of customer service, and after identification, it is re-established as unique contact phone number the initial\_phone. This change is executed by the operator who answered the call, with user number BBXXXXXX. Modification Telephone by the claimant.

9. On this same date, November 5, 2021, the password change is requested on the client website three times, two successful and one unsuccessful:

At 3:48 p.m., using the OTP key entered correctly and sent by SMS to telephone number Tfno\_supl\_1, the access password is modified. Change of password.

At 4:16 p.m., through the OTP entered correctly and sent by SMS to phone number Phone\_initial, the access password is modified again.

Change of password by the claimant.

Subsequently, at 4:29 p.m., a new password change is requested, but this was not carried out since the OTP key sent to the telephone number phone\_initial was not entered. Password change attempt.

The claimed party provides evidence of these operations: fingerprint, shipping OTP and traces.

10. With dates November 8 and 22, 2021, February 22, 2022 and March 23, 2022, on the customer website, the password to access the web application is changed to 11:21 a.m., 2:20 p.m., 3:17 p.m. and 9:58 a.m. respectively, through the correct introduction of OTP keys sent by SMS to the phone number phone\_initial. Change of password by the claimant.

The claimed party provides evidence of these operations: fingerprint, shipping

OTP and traces.

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11. On April 11, 2022 at 6:25 p.m., it is sent to the telephone number

Phone\_initial an OTP key to change the access password, which is not

introduced. Password change attempt.

By phone call to customer service, and after the

identification, the telephone is replaced by Tfno\_supl\_2. Said change is

executed by the operator who answered the call, with user number

CCXXXXX. Telephone Modification.

Finally, at 18:43 a new OTP key is sent to the phone number

Tfno\_supl\_2, which is entered correctly and, therefore, the last one is materialized

change of password. Change of password.

The claimed party provides evidence of currency exchange operations

password: fingerprint, OTP sending and traces; and the screenshot of the data

of the claimant modified on that date, as well as the copy of the recording of the

phone call.

12. Between April 12 and 20, 2022, three cards are automatically issued as

replacement of the previous ones due to loss of the card, blocked on the website of

customers. These cards have not been activated.

13. On May 3, 2022, the following is added as a postal address: \*\*\*ADDRESS.3.

Said modification is made through the client's website, after correct introduction

the connection username and password and the OTP for signing the operation, sent for this purpose to the telephone number Tfno\_supl\_2. Address Modification Postcard.

The claimed party provides as evidence the screenshot of the logs of this operation, in which the correct authentication of the user is appreciated (prior entering the username and password) and checking the OTP signature of the operation, sent to the claimant's active telephone number (in this case, the telephone number of the alleged impersonator Tfno\_supl\_2). It also provides screenshot of the shipping and delivery logs of the signing OTP to the number of phone phone\_suppl\_2.

14. On that same date, May 3, 2022, they are automatically issued again two cards to replace the previous ones due to loss of the card, blocked on the client website. These cards have not been activated.

15. On May 6, 2022, after knowing the impersonation of the client, it becomes to restore as contact telephone number the Initial\_Telephone. Modification of Phone.

The claimed party facilitates the screenshot of the claimant's data modified on that date.

16. Finally, on May 9, 2022, after learning of the impersonation of the client, it is reset as unique client address \*\*\*ADDRESS.1.

Postal Address Modification.

17. Subsequently, the product is cancelled.

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## EVIDENCES

In the chronological description of the events, the operations have been presented carried out on the claimant's data together with the evidence provided by the party claimed for each of the operations.

In the recording of the call made on October 26, where the Tfno\_supl\_1 as the new contact telephone number, the user's identification

It is done by the correct answer to the following security questions:

- ID
- Full name
- Birthdate
- Full address, including zip code
- Mobile phone
- Bank through which the receipts are passed. Bank responds.

In the recording, a new CAP number is generated: XXXX and the number of mobile phone to operate with it in the future. The number is also removed from the profile associated landline number.

The alleged impersonator has prior knowledge of all the data of the claimant.

In the recording of the call made on October 27, where the deletion is requested of the numbers \*\*\*TELEPHONE.1 and Phone\_initial and Phone\_supl\_1 remains as unique contact number, user identification is made by presenting of the CAP number generated the day before.

In the recording of the call made on April 11, where Tfno\_supl\_2 is added, the identification of the user is done by presenting the same number CAP generated by the alleged impersonator in October 2021.

The voices on all three recordings seem to belong to the same person, so

it follows that there were again impersonation attempts in May 2022.

Regarding the evidence collected in relation to the identification of the claimant

when you made the password change requests, the complained party indicates that

No user authentication "log" is kept prior to the change of the

access passwords, since they were modified through the procedure

key reset procedure mentioned above.

SECURITY MEASURES IMPLEMENTED AT THE TIME OF THE

FACTS:

- To access the telephone service and modify the telephone number

associated mobile phone, the presumed impersonator had to know either the CAP or the

following personal data of the claimant:

- Full name
- D.N.I. or residence card
- Birthdate

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- Full address
- Landline and/or mobile phone

It is considered weak security. If one layer of security fails, the second layer of

security should be at least as secure as the first. The CAP is a number of

4 digits, that is, there are 10,000 possibilities.

As of May 2022 it is no longer possible to change the telephone number of the

customers through the telephone channel.



- To access the private Web space or the BANKINTER CF App, the alleged impersonator had to know the username and password. If you didn't have the password, you could generate a new one knowing D.N.I./N.I.F. and date of birth and entering the OTP sent to the associated mobile phone (two-step authentication). The strength of this security measure lies in the second step of the authentication (sending the OTP to the reported mobile phone), but the presumed impersonator had previously modified that phone number.

## FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW

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### Competence

In accordance with the powers that article 58.2 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation, hereinafter GDPR), grants each control authority and as established in articles 47, 48.1, 64.2 and 68.1 of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on the Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights (hereinafter, LOPDGDD), is competent to initiate and resolve this procedure the Director of the Spanish Protection Agency of data.

Likewise, article 63.2 of the LOPDGDD determines that: "The procedures processed by the Spanish Data Protection Agency will be governed by the provisions in Regulation (EU) 2016/679, in this organic law, by the provisions regulations dictated in its development and, insofar as they do not contradict them, with character subsidiary, by the general rules on administrative procedures."

II

breached obligation

Article 58 of the GDPR, Powers, states:

"2. Each control authority will have all the following corrective powers

indicated below:

(...)

i) impose an administrative fine in accordance with article 83, in addition to or instead of the measures mentioned in this section, according to the circumstances of each case particular;(..."

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Article 6, Legality of the treatment, of the GDPR in its section 1, establishes that:

"1. Processing will only be lawful if at least one of the following is fulfilled

conditions:

a) the interested party gave his consent for the processing of his personal data for one or more specific purposes;

b) the treatment is necessary for the execution of a contract in which the interested party is part of or for the application at the request of the latter of pre-contractual measures;

c) the processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation applicable to the responsible for the treatment;

d) the processing is necessary to protect vital interests of the data subject or of another Physical person;

e) the treatment is necessary for the fulfillment of a mission carried out in the interest public or in the exercise of public powers conferred on the data controller;

f) the treatment is necessary for the satisfaction of legitimate interests pursued by the person in charge of the treatment or by a third party, provided that on said interests do not outweigh the interests or fundamental rights and freedoms of the

interested party that require the protection of personal data, in particular when the interested is a child.

The provisions of letter f) of the first paragraph shall not apply to the treatment carried out by public authorities in the exercise of their functions”.

On the other hand, article 4 of the GDPR, Definitions, in its sections 1, 2 and 11, indicates that:

“1) «personal data»: any information about an identified natural person or identifiable (“the data subject”); An identifiable natural person shall be considered any person whose identity can be determined, directly or indirectly, in particular by means of an identifier, such as a name, an identification number, data of location, an online identifier or one or more elements of identity physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social of said person;

“2) “processing”: any operation or set of operations carried out on personal data or sets of personal data, either by procedures automated or not, such as the collection, registration, organization, structuring, conservation, adaptation or modification, extraction, consultation, use, communication by transmission, diffusion or any other form of authorization of access, collation or interconnection, limitation, deletion or destruction;

“11) “consent of the interested party”: any expression of free, specific, informed and unequivocal by which the interested party accepts, either through a declaration or a clear affirmative action, the processing of personal data that concern”.

The denounced facts materialize in the impersonation of the identity of the claimant by a third party.

From the extract of the indicated card, dated November 2021, by the claimant, the veracity of the facts claimed is confirmed: two cash withdrawals through

from an ATM in Vigo and two payments in that town.

All this, without your authorization or consent, considering that the regulations on the protection of personal data.

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It should be remembered that to access the telephone service and modify the associated mobile phone number, the alleged impersonator must know, or the CAP, or the following personal data of the claimant:

- Full name
- D.N.I. or residence card
- Birthdate
- Full address
- Landline and/or mobile phone

These are data from which it is reasonable to deduce that they can be accessed with relative ease for potential impersonators.

According to the narrative of the facts verified by the inspection, the impersonator managed to change the contact telephone number that the claimant had to disposition of the claimant. With this, there was a treatment without legitimation of the personal data of the claimant, since his telephone number was suppressed and simultaneously assigned a new contact telephone number without consent or legitimizing basis of any of those provided for in article 6.1. GDPR.

Classification of the infringement of article 6.1 of the GDPR

If confirmed, the aforementioned infringement of article 6.1 of the GDPR could lead to the commission of the offenses typified in article 83.5 of the GDPR that under the rubric

"General conditions for the imposition of administrative fines" provides:

Violations of the following provisions will be sanctioned, in accordance with the paragraph 2, with administrative fines of 20 000 000 EUR maximum or, treating- of a company, of an amount equivalent to a maximum of 4% of the volume of overall annual total business of the previous financial year, opting for the one with the highest amount:

a) the basic principles for the treatment, including the conditions for the consent  
lien under articles 5, 6, 7 and 9; (...)"

In this regard, the LOPDGDD, in its article 71 "Infractions" establishes that:

"The acts and behaviors referred to in sections 4,  
5 and 6 of article 83 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, as well as those that are contrary to  
rias to the present organic law".

For the purposes of the limitation period, article 72 "Infringements considered very serious"  
you see" of the LOPDGDD indicates:

"1. Based on what is established in article 83.5 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679,  
are considered very serious and will prescribe after three years the infractions that  
a substantial violation of the articles mentioned therein and, in particular, the  
following:

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a) The processing of personal data in violation of the principles and guarantees established

two in article 5 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679. (...)"

Penalty for violation of article 6.1 of the GDPR

IV.

For the purposes of deciding on the imposition of an administrative fine and its amount,

In accordance with the evidence available at the present time of

agreement to start disciplinary proceedings, and without prejudice to what results from the

investigation, it is considered that the offense in question is serious for the purposes of the

GDPR and that it is appropriate to graduate the sanction to be imposed in accordance with the following

criteria established in article 83.2 of the GDPR:

As aggravating factors:

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b) The intent or negligence in the offence;

The Supreme Court has understood that imprudence exists whenever

disregards a legal duty of care, that is, when the offender does not behave with

the due diligence. And in assessing the degree of diligence, consideration must be

especially the professionalism or not of the subject, and there is no doubt that, in the case

now examined, when the appellant's activity is of constant and abundant

handling of personal data must insist on rigor and exquisite care

for complying with the legal provisions in this regard. [Sentence of the Hearing

National of 10/17/2007 (rec. 63/2006)].

Likewise, it is considered appropriate to graduate the sanction to be imposed in accordance with the

following criteria established in section 2 of article 76 "Sanctions and measures

corrective measures" of the LOPDGDD:

As aggravating factors:

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of personal data.

b) Linking the activity of the offender with the performance of processing

BANKINTER CONSUMER FINANCE, E.F.C., S.A. is a financial establishment credit- payment entity.

Consequently and for the purposes of compliance with the legal requirements established, the exercise of said activity necessarily implies the knowledge and application of current regulations on the protection of personal data.

The balance of the circumstances contemplated in article 83.2 of the GDPR and the Article 76.2 of the LOPDGDD, with respect to the offense committed by violating the established in article 6.1 of the GDPR, allows the initial setting of a penalty of €70,000 (SEVENTY THOUSAND EUROS).

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adoption of measures

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If the infringement is confirmed, it could be agreed to impose on the person responsible the adoption of adequate measures to adjust its performance to the regulations mentioned in this act, in accordance with the provisions of the aforementioned article 58.2 d) of the GDPR, according to the which each control authority may "order the person responsible or in charge of the processing that the processing operations comply with the provisions of the this Regulation, where appropriate, in a certain way and within a certain specified term...". The imposition of this measure is compatible with the sanction consisting of an administrative fine, according to the provisions of art. 83.2 of the GDPR.

It is noted that not attending to the possible order to adopt measures imposed by this body in the sanctioning resolution may be considered as a administrative offense in accordance with the provisions of the GDPR, classified as infraction in its article 83.5 and 83.6, being able to motivate such conduct the opening of a subsequent administrative sanctioning procedure.

Therefore, in accordance with the foregoing, by the Director of the Agency Spanish Data Protection,

HE REMEMBERS:

FIRST: INITIATE SANCTION PROCEDURE against BANKINTER CONSUMER

FINANCE E.F.C., S.A., with NIF A82650672, for the alleged violation of Article 6.1 of the GDPR, typified in Article 83.5 of the GDPR.

SECOND: APPOINT as instructor B.B.B. and, as secretary, C.C.C. indicating that may be challenged, where appropriate, in accordance with the provisions of articles 23 and 24 of Law 40/2015, of October 1, on the Legal Regime of the Public Sector (LRJSP).

THIRD: INCORPORATE into the disciplinary file, for evidentiary purposes, the claim filed by the claimant and its documentation, as well as the documents obtained and generated by the Sub-directorate General of Inspection of Data in the actions prior to the start of this sanctioning procedure.

FOURTH: THAT for the purposes provided for in art. 64.2 b) of Law 39/2015, of 1 October, of the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations, the sanction that could correspond would be, for the alleged violation of article 6.1 of the GDPR, typified in article 83.5 of said regulation, administrative fine of amount €70,000 (SEVENTY THOUSAND EUROS).

FIFTH: NOTIFY this agreement to BANKINTER CONSUMER FINANCE E.F.C., S.A., with NIF A82650672, granting it a hearing period of ten days



able to formulate the allegations and present the evidence that it considers convenient. In your statement of allegations you must provide your NIF and the number of procedure that appears in the heading of this document.

If, within the stipulated period, he does not make allegations to this initial agreement, the same may be considered a resolution proposal, as established in article 64.2.f) of Law 39/2015, of October 1, on the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations (hereinafter, LPACAP).

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In accordance with the provisions of article 85 of the LPACAP, you may recognize your responsibility within the period granted for the formulation of allegations to the present initiation agreement; which will entail a reduction of 20% of the sanction that should be imposed in this proceeding. With the application of this reduction, the sanction would be established at 56,000.00 euros, resolving the procedure with the imposition of this sanction.

In the same way, it may, at any time prior to the resolution of this procedure, carry out the voluntary payment of the proposed sanction, which will mean a reduction of 20% of its amount. With the application of this reduction, the sanction would be established at 56,000.00 euros and its payment will imply the termination of the procedure, without prejudice to the imposition of the corresponding measures.

The reduction for the voluntary payment of the penalty is cumulative to the corresponding apply for acknowledgment of responsibility, provided that this acknowledgment of the responsibility is revealed within the period granted to formulate

allegations at the opening of the procedure. Voluntary payment of the referred amount in the previous paragraph may be done at any time prior to the resolution. In this case, if both reductions were to be applied, the amount of the penalty would remain established at 42,000.00 euros.

In any case, the effectiveness of any of the two aforementioned reductions will be conditioned to the withdrawal or resignation of any action or appeal via administrative against the sanction.

In the event that you choose to proceed with the voluntary payment of any of the amounts indicated above (56,000.00 euros or 42,000.00 euros), you must make it effective by entering the account number IBAN: ES00-0000-0000-0000-0000-0000 (BIC/SWIFT Code: CAIXESBBXXX) opened in the name of the Spanish Agency for Protection of Data in the banking entity CAIXABANK, S.A., indicating in the concept the reference number of the procedure that appears in the heading of this document and the reason for the reduction of the amount to which it accepts.

Likewise, you must send proof of income to the General Subdirectorate of Inspection to continue with the procedure in accordance with the quantity entered.

The procedure will have a maximum duration of nine months from the date of the initiation agreement or, where appropriate, of the draft initiation agreement.

After this period, its expiration will occur and, consequently, the file of performances; in accordance with the provisions of article 64 of the LOPDGDD.

Finally, it is noted that in accordance with the provisions of article 112.1 of the LPACAP, there is no administrative appeal against this act.

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SECOND: On March 29, 2023, the claimed party has proceeded to pay of the sanction in the amount of 42,000 euros making use of the two reductions provided for in the initiation Agreement transcribed above, which implies the recognition of responsibility.

THIRD: The payment made, within the period granted to formulate allegations to the opening of the procedure, entails the waiver of any action or appeal via against the sanction and acknowledgment of responsibility in relation to the facts referred to in the Commencement Agreement.

## FUNDAMENTALS OF LAW

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### Competence

In accordance with the powers that article 58.2 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (General Data Protection Regulation, hereinafter GDPR), grants each control authority and as established in articles 47, 48.1, 64.2 and 68.1 of the Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, on the Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights (hereinafter, LOPDGDD), is competent to initiate and resolve this procedure the Director of the Spanish Protection Agency of data.

Likewise, article 63.2 of the LOPDGDD determines that: "The procedures processed by the Spanish Data Protection Agency will be governed by the provisions

in Regulation (EU) 2016/679, in this organic law, by the provisions

regulations dictated in its development and, insofar as they do not contradict them, with character subsidiary, by the general rules on administrative procedures."

## II

Termination of the procedure

Article 85 of Law 39/2015, of October 1, on Administrative Procedure

Common for Public Administrations (hereinafter, LPACAP), under the heading

"Termination in disciplinary proceedings" provides the following:

"1. Initiated a disciplinary procedure, if the offender acknowledges his responsibility,

The procedure may be resolved with the imposition of the appropriate sanction.

2. When the sanction has only a pecuniary nature or it is possible to impose a

pecuniary sanction and another of a non-pecuniary nature but the

inadmissibility of the second, the voluntary payment by the presumed perpetrator, in

any moment prior to the resolution, will imply the termination of the procedure,

except in relation to the replacement of the altered situation or the determination of the

compensation for damages caused by the commission of the offence.

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3. In both cases, when the sanction is solely pecuniary in nature, the

The competent body to resolve the procedure will apply reductions of at least

20% of the amount of the proposed penalty, these being cumulative among themselves.

The aforementioned reductions must be determined in the notification of initiation

of the procedure and its effectiveness will be conditioned to the withdrawal or resignation of

any administrative action or resource against the sanction.

The percentage reduction provided for in this section may be increased according to regulations."

According to what has been stated,

the Director of the Spanish Data Protection Agency RESOLVES:

FIRST: DECLARE the termination of procedure EXP202202178, in

in accordance with the provisions of article 85 of the LPACAP.

SECOND: NOTIFY this resolution to BANKINTER CONSUMER

FINANCE E.F.C., S.A.

In accordance with the provisions of article 50 of the LOPDGDD, this

Resolution will be made public once the interested parties have been notified.

Against this resolution, which puts an end to the administrative process as prescribed by

the art. 114.1.c) of Law 39/2015, of October 1, on Administrative Procedure

Common of Public Administrations, interested parties may file an appeal

administrative litigation before the Administrative Litigation Chamber of the

National Court, in accordance with the provisions of article 25 and section 5 of

the fourth additional provision of Law 29/1998, of July 13, regulating the

Contentious-Administrative Jurisdiction, within a period of two months from the

day following the notification of this act, as provided for in article 46.1 of the

referred Law.

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