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## RESOLUTION OF PUNISHMENT PROCEDURE

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

## **BACKGROUND**

FIRST: A.A.A. (hereinafter, the complaining party) dated July 11, 2021 filed a claim with the Spanish Data Protection Agency.

The claim is directed against INSEKT FOOD S.L. with NIF B01594860 (hereinafter, the claimed party).

The reason on which the claim is based is that the owners of the entity claimed have disclosed personal data of the complainant without their consent.

Specifically, it states that they have been provided through the Whatsapp application, in various group chats ("\*\*\*CHAT.1" with 257 members, "\*\*\*CHAT.2" with 257 members, and "\*\*\*CHAT.3" with 27 members), personal data such as your name and two surnames, physical address with street name and number, postal code, town and Province.

A complaint has been filed at the National Police Station in Alcázar de San Juan (Ciudad Real) with certificate number XXXX/YY.

SECOND: In accordance with article 65.4 of Organic Law 3/2018, of 5 December, of Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights (in hereinafter LOPDGDD), on August 19, 2021, said claim was transferred to the party claimed, so that it proceeded to its analysis and inform this Agency in the period of one month, of the actions carried out to adapt to the requirements provided for in the data protection regulations.

We proceeded to the practice of notification of the transfer of the claim through

electronic means, without the claimed party accessing its content, within a period of ten calendar days from the date the notification is made available. Despite of rejection of the notification, it was practiced again on paper at the postal address known to the claimant, resulting in this shipment being returned by the Postal Service with the indication "unknown".

THIRD: On October 28, 2021, the Director of the Spanish Agency for

Data Protection agreed to admit for processing the claim presented by the party

claimant.

FOURTH: On December 20, 2021, the Director of the Spanish Agency for Data Protection agreed to initiate a sanctioning procedure against the claimed party, for the alleged infringement of article 6 of the RGPD, typified in article 83.5 of the GDPR.

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FIFTH: After the period granted for the formulation of allegations to the agreement to initiate the procedure, it has been verified that no allegation has been received any by the claimed party.

Article 64.2.f) of Law 39/2015, of October 1, on Administrative Procedure

Common Public Administrations (hereinafter LPACAP) -provision of which

the party claimed was informed in the agreement to open the proceedingestablishes that if allegations are not made within the stipulated period on the content of the
initiation agreement, when it contains a precise statement about the
imputed responsibility, may be considered a resolution proposal. In the

present case, the agreement to initiate the disciplinary proceedings determined the facts in which the imputation was specified, the infraction of the RGPD attributed to the claimed and the sanction that could be imposed. Therefore, taking into account that the party complained against has made no objections to the agreement to initiate the file and In accordance with the provisions of article 64.2.f) of the LPACAP, the aforementioned agreement of beginning is considered in the present case resolution proposal.

In view of everything that has been done, by the Spanish Data Protection Agency
In this proceeding, the following are considered proven facts:

## **PROVEN FACTS**

FIRST: They have been provided through the Whatsapp application, in various chats group ("\*\*\*CHAT.1" with 257 members, "\*\*\*CHAT.2" with 257 members, and "\*\*\*CHAT.3" with 27 members), personal data such as your first name and two surnames, physical address with street name and number, postal code, town and province.

SECOND On January 2, 2022, the agreement to start this sanctioning procedure, giving a period of ten days to present allegations the same.

Said period has elapsed without having received any allegation by the party claimed, so said agreement becomes a resolution proposal of in accordance with article 64.2.f) of Law 39/2015, of October 1, of the Common Administrative Procedure of Public Administrations (hereinafter LPACAP) - provision of which the respondent was informed in the settlement agreement opening of the procedure - which establishes that if no allegations are made in the term foreseen on the content of the initiation agreement, when it contains a precise statement about the imputed responsibility, may be considered motion for a resolution.

## **FOUNDATIONS OF LAW**

By virtue of the powers that article 58.2 of the RGPD recognizes to each authority of control, and according to the provisions of articles 47 and 48 of the LOPDGDD, the Director of the Spanish Agency for Data Protection is competent to initiate and to resolve this procedure.

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Article 4.11 of the RGPD defines the consent of the interested party as "any manifestation of free, specific, informed and unequivocal will by which the

The interested party accepts, either by means of a declaration or a clear affirmative action, the processing of personal data concerning you".

In this sense, article 6.1 of Organic Law 3/2018, of December 5, of

Protection of Personal Data and guarantee of digital rights, hereinafter LO-

PDGDD, establishes that "in accordance with the provisions of article 4.11 of the Regulation-

(EU) 2016/679, consent of the affected party is understood to be any manifestation

of free, specific, informed and unequivocal will by which he accepts, either

by means of a declaration or a clear affirmative action, the processing of personal data

nals that concern him".

For its part, article 6 of the GDPR establishes the following:

"1. The processing will only be lawful if at least one of the following conditions is met:

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a) the interested party gave their consent for the processing of their 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 treatment is necessary for the fulfillment of a legal obligation applicable to the data controller;
- d) the treatment is necessary to protect the vital interests of the interested party or 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 vested in the data controller;
- f) the treatment is necessary for the satisfaction of legitimate interests pursued by the data controller or by a third party, provided that said interests interests do not prevail or the fundamental rights and freedoms of the interest cases that require the protection of personal data, in particular when the interested sado be a child.

The provisions of letter f) of the first paragraph shall not apply to the processing by public authorities in the exercise of their functions."

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In the present case, the claimant states that his personal data has been provided through the WhatsApp application, in various group chats, without your consent, providing a complaint filed at the National Police Station of Alcázar de San Juan (Ciudad Real).

In accordance with the available evidence, it is considered that the facts reported, that is, carrying out an illegal treatment of personal data through the WhatsApp application, by the claimed entity, without having www.aepd.es

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the consent of the claimant, nor any other cause of legitimacy of the claimant. treatment, supposes a violation of article 6 of the RGPD.

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Article 83.5 a) of the RGPD, establishes that "infractions of the provisions following will be sanctioned, in accordance with section 2, with administrative fines EUR 20,000,000 maximum or, in the case of a company, an amount equivalent to a maximum of 4% of the total global annual turnover of the previous financial year, opting for the highest amount:

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

In this sense, article 72.1 b) of the LOPDGDD states that "according to what established in article 83.5 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679, are considered very serious and Infractions that suppose a substantial violation will prescribe after three years.

of the articles mentioned therein and in particular, the following:

b) The processing of personal data without the concurrence of any of the conditions of legality of the treatment in article 6 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679."

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Article 58.2 of the RGPD provides the following: "Each control authority will have of all the following corrective powers indicated below:

- d) order the person in charge or in charge of the treatment that the operations of treatment comply with the provisions of this Regulation, where appropriate, in a certain way and within a specified period;
- i) impose an administrative fine under 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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This infraction can be sanctioned with a fine of €20,000,000 maximum or, in the case of a company, an amount equivalent to a maximum of 4% of the global total annual turnover of the previous financial year, opting for the of greater amount, in accordance with article 83.5 of the RGPD.

Likewise, it is considered appropriate to graduate the sanction to be imposed in accordance with the following criteria established by article 83.2 of the RGPD, considering as aggravating the intentional action of the respondent to use the personal data of the claimant in the WhatsApp application (article 83.2 b).

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Therefore, in accordance with the applicable legislation and having assessed the criteria for graduation of sanctions whose existence has been proven,

the Director of the Spanish Data Protection Agency RESOLVES:

FIRST: IMPOSE INSEKT FOOD S.L. with NIF B01594860, for the infringement of the article 6 of the RGPD typified in article 83.5.a) of the RGPD, a fine of 4,000 euros (four thousand euros).

SECOND: NOTIFY this resolution to INSEKT FOOD S.L.

THIRD: Warn the sanctioned party that he must make the imposed sanction effective once
Once this resolution is enforceable, in accordance with the provisions of the
Article 98.1.b) of Law 39/2015, of October 1, on Administrative Procedure

Common Public Administrations (hereinafter LPACAP), within the payment term voluntary established in art. 68 of the General Collection Regulations, approved by Royal Decree 939/2005, of July 29, in relation to art. 62 of Law 58/2003, of December 17, through its entry, indicating the NIF of the sanctioned and the number of procedure that appears in the heading of this document, in the account restricted number ES00 0000 0000 0000 0000, opened on behalf of the Agency Spanish Department of Data Protection in the banking entity CAIXABANK, S.A.. In case Otherwise, it will be collected in the executive period.

Received the notification and once executed, if the date of execution is between the 1st and 15th of each month, both inclusive, the term to make the payment voluntary will be until the 20th day of the following month or immediately after, and if between the 16th and last day of each month, both inclusive, the payment term It will be until the 5th of the second following month or immediately after.

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

Resolution will be made public once it has been notified to the interested parties.

Against this resolution, which puts an end to the administrative procedure in accordance with art. 48.6 of the LOPDGDD, and in accordance with the provisions of article 123 of the LPACAP, the Interested parties may optionally file an appeal for reconsideration before the Director of the Spanish Agency for Data Protection within a month from counting from the day following the notification of this resolution or directly contentious-administrative appeal before the Contentious-Administrative 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 in article 46.1 of the

aforementioned Law.

Finally, it is pointed out that in accordance with the provisions of art. 90.3 a) of the LPACAP, may provisionally suspend the firm resolution in administrative proceedings if the

The interested party expresses his intention to file a contentious-administrative appeal.

If this is the case, the interested party must formally communicate this fact by writing addressed to the Spanish Agency for Data Protection, presenting it through

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web/], or through any of the other registers provided for in art. 16.4 of the aforementioned Law 39/2015, of October 1. You must also transfer to the Agency the documentation proving the effective filing of the contentious appeal-administrative. If the Agency was not aware of the filing of the appeal contentious-administrative within a period of two months from the day following the notification of this resolution would end the precautionary suspension.

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