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NOTICE
SPRUCH□
The data protection authority decides on the data protection complaint of Mag. Fritz□
A*** (appellant) of December 22, 2018 against the N***social insurance□
(Respondent) for violation of the right to secrecy as follows:□
- The appeal is dismissed. □
Legal basis: § 1 paragraph 1, § 24 paragraph 2 Data Protection Act - DSG, Federal Law Gazette 165/1999
idgF; Art. 4 Z 1, Art. 6 Para. 1 lit. c General Data Protection Regulation – GDPR, OJ L 119□
from May 4th, 2016, p.1.□
A. Submissions of the parties and course of the proceedings□
REASON
1. In the filing of the proceedings dated December 19, 2018, the □
Complainant stated that he was between December 11, 2018 and January 8, 2019 □
Patient in the rehabilitation center Bad N ***, for which the respondent as □
Responsible to see had been patient. When greeted by the □
The head of administration was made aware of the fact that□
Sick rooms with electronic door locks (locking by means of a door chip) and □
be equipped with motion detectors. This can be used to determine whether a□
patient is in his room. In addition, the complainant suspected it□
can a movement profile be created with the help of the data and be this for the purposes□

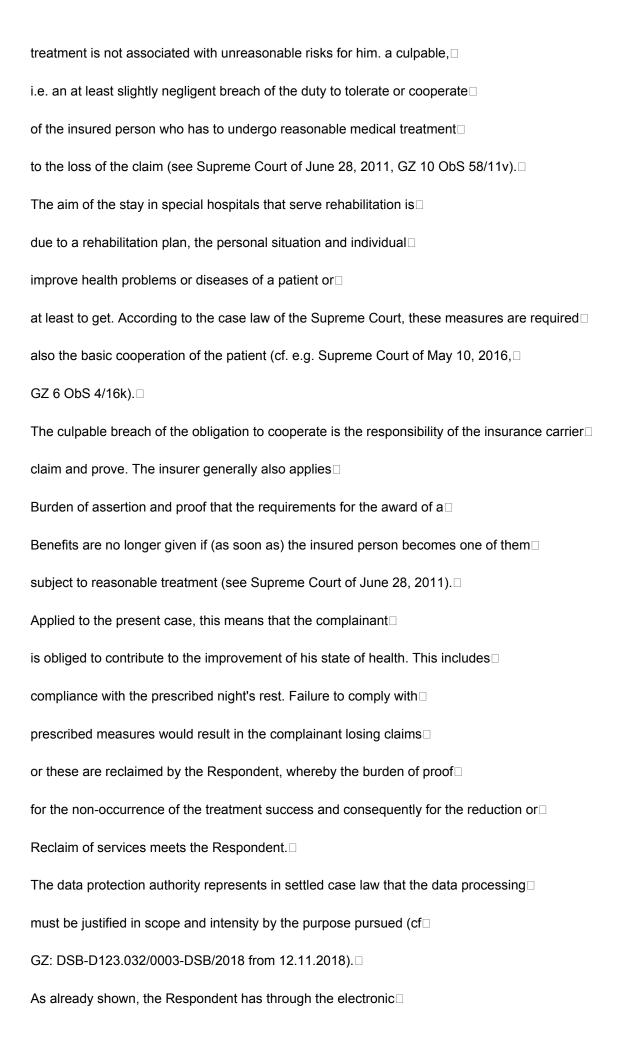
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not necessary for the treatment. This contradicts many principles of□
data processing.□
2. Submitted after improvement of the complaint with submission of February 22, 2019 $\scriptstyle\square$
the data protection authority with completion GZ: D123.942/0001-DSB/2019 of March 7, 2019□
a request for comments to the designated Respondent.□
3. With submissions dated April 10 and 16, 2019, the Respondent stated that she□
run the rehabilitation center in Bad N*** - specialized in cardiac□
Circulatory diseases – where the complainant in the period from December 11, 2018□
was inpatient until January 8, 2019. It is also true that the rooms with□
Motion detectors in conjunction with electronic door locks□
would be, however, movement profiles of patients could not be created with it. the□
Plant process through the knowledge of the staff who occupies a room with the□
electronic door lock, where a chip can be assigned to a person, as well as□
a motion detector in every patient room, personal data. Out□
However, no movement profile could be created from this data, but supplied it□
only the largely reliable information as to whether a patient is in a room□
located. This is covered by different legal bases. So be these□
Contrary to the complainant's statements, the data is not□
to qualify health-related data. Next would be vital□
Interests of data subjects are safeguarded and this is also the case from□
Justification for compliance with legal obligations towards the patient□
covered, which arises from the relevant rules of the federal and state laws for□
Hospitals and sanatoriums result. It is already - proven measures - to do so□
come that patients have acute emergencies only because of the subject of the complaint□
systems would have survived. Furthermore, in emergencies, it allows a faster and more targeted□
Evacuation of the building and ultimately make it possible to check whether patients□

at 10:30 p.m. in their rooms after the time specified in the institutional regulations□
would be. This is necessary to achieve the purpose of rehabilitation. To check all \square
alternatively, only one review could be held of these points. In synopsis□
of these points, it follows that the present data processing is not only that□
the mildest means, but also the only reliable measure to achieve the purpose□
may be.□
4. With the completion of GZ: DSB-D123.942/0003-DSB/2019 of May 6, 2019, the□
Data Protection Authority grants the complainant the right to be heard.□
5. With a submission dated May 9, 2019, the complainant replied to the statements of the □
Respondent that their justifications of vital interests□
of the data subject would not be relevant and that most patients are not□
would require constant monitoring. That of the Respondent□
Other arguments put forward would also not be persuasive, since the patients three times□
daily at meals, therapy units in between and during medical visits□
would be checked anyway. It is up to the Respondent's opinion□
deduce that the only purpose for which the facility actually exists is the□
Checking attendance after 10:30 p.m. in the sickroom.□
B. Subject of Complaint□
The subject of the complaint is the question of whether the electronic attendance check by means of
Door lock and motion detector the complainant in the right to secrecy□
has hurt.□
C. Findings of Facts□
The complainant was a patient from December 11, 2018 to January 8, 2019□
in the rehabilitation center Bad N***. The complainant was in a single room□
accommodated. The Bad N*** rehabilitation center focuses on cardiac and □
circulatory diseases and is located in a large green area□

patients can move freely. □
Since the facility was modernized in 2016, all rooms have been fitted with motion detectors□
and electronic door locks, which can be locked using a coded chip key□
are equipped. No movement profiles are created and no recordings□
collected via movement patterns.□
The purpose of the system is electronic room occupancy detection. From legitimate□
Employees of the Respondent can access this information if necessary□
will.□
Evidence assessment: Evidence of the undisputed facts was raised by the □
consistent and credible statements by the parties to the proceedings□
Proceedings before the data protection authority. □
D. In legal terms it follows that:□
The essence of the complaint is the question of whether the established facts (sufficient) of □
a justification is borne. It must be stated in advance that□
Subject of the proceedings by no means the basic admissibility of the electronic□
Room occupancy detection is, but only whether the complainant in the concrete□
individual case in which his right to secrecy was violated:□
The data protection authority takes the position in its case law that the□
Confidentiality obligation according to § 1 paragraph 1 DSG is not violated if according to § 4□
Para. 1 DSG standardized implementation provisions of the DSGVO and their□
justifications have been complied with. Accordingly, implementing standards of□
Art. 2 DSG to Art. 1 DSG according to a clear legal order as standards of□
DSGVO to see and for the assertion of the subjective violation of rights in □
Fundamental right to data protection according to § 1 DSG the standards of the DSGVO relevant (cf. e.g.□
DSB-D123.495/0007-DSB/2018 of February 5, 2019).□
The detected electronic room occupancy detection recorded without a doubt in the□

Period from December 11, 2018 to January 8, 2019 also the complainant. It was:
not disputed by the Respondent that the collected data□
Complainants could be assigned and that the data processing in their□
Overall impact made it possible to determine whether the complainant in his
room. □
The requirement of identifiability and traceability of the data is therefore met□
(Art. 4 Z 1 DSGVO, § 1 Abs. 1 DSG) The argument that there are special categories□
of data within the meaning of Art. 9 DSGVO processed, for which a general processing ban□
exists cannot be upheld with regard to the objected data processing. □
The complainant is to concede that by the respondent□
mentioned justifications of the vital interests of the data subject□
are not relevant here, because of the scope and quality of the□
Data processing can only be concluded if there is a person in the hospital room□
stops. It may well enable life-sustaining measures to be taken more quickly in individual cases,□
if it is recognized that that person is in their room, but can□
Respondent does not assume that the electronic□
Room occupancy detection is required to protect vital interests of any event□
to protect the person concerned. □
However, it must be borne in mind that the rehabilitation provided to the complainant by the□
Respondent was granted and the thwarting of the rehabilitation success
social security and civil law consequences. After□
general principle that an insured person protects the interests of□
social security institution and thus also that of the other insured persons in a reasonable way□
way, if he does not want to lose his claims, he is more consistent□
Jurisdiction obliges to carry out necessary medical treatment, which□
would lead to a cure and restoration of his ability to work, provided that□



Room occupancy detection the possibility to collect whether the complainant is in□
is in his room and is this information evaluated on a case-by-case basis $-\square$
further information cannot be determined as a result. In addition, it is the□
Respondent throughout the day in the administration of meals and \square
Therapy units is also possible without electronic room occupancy detection □
to determine whereabouts.□
The data protection authority therefore comes to the conclusion that the subject of the proceedings
Data processing is appropriate and proportionate to the mutual rights and \square
To uphold the obligations of the parties involved in the context of rehabilitation. □
It had to be decided accordingly.□