Regulation (EU) 2015/847 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2015 on information accompanying transfers of funds and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1781/2006 (Text with EEA relevance)

CHAPTER II

OBLIGATIONS ON PAYMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS

SECTION 2

Obligations on the payment service provider of the payee

Article 7

Detection of missing information on the payer or the payee

1 The payment service provider of the payee shall implement effective procedures to detect whether the fields relating to the information on the payer and the payee in the messaging or payment and settlement system used to effect the transfer of funds have been filled in using characters or inputs admissible in accordance with the conventions of that system.

2 The payment service provider of the payee shall implement effective procedures, including, where appropriate, *ex-post* monitoring or real-time monitoring, in order to detect whether the following information on the payer or the payee is missing:

- a for transfers of funds where the payment service provider of the payer is established in the Union, the information referred to in Article 5;
- b for transfers of funds where the payment service provider of the payer is established outside the Union, the information referred to in Article 4(1) and (2);
- c for batch file transfers where the payment service provider of the payer is established outside the Union, the information referred to in Article 4(1) and (2) in respect of that batch file transfer.

In the case of transfers of funds exceeding EUR 1 000, whether those transfers are carried out in a single transaction or in several transactions which appear to be linked, before crediting the payee's payment account or making the funds available to the payee, the payment service provider of the payee shall verify the accuracy of the information on the payee referred to in paragraph 2 of this Article on the basis of documents, data or information obtained from a reliable and independent source, without prejudice to the requirements laid down in Articles 69 and 70 of Directive 2007/64/EC.

4 In the case of transfers of funds not exceeding EUR 1 000 that do not appear to be linked to other transfers of funds which, together with the transfer in question, exceed EUR 1 000, the payment service provider of the payee need not verify the accuracy of the information on the payee, unless the payment service provider of the payee:

- a effects the pay-out of the funds in cash or in anonymous electronic money; or
- b has reasonable grounds for suspecting money laundering or terrorist financing.

5 Verification as referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4 shall be deemed to have taken place where:

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- a a payee's identity has been verified in accordance with Article 13 of Directive (EU) 2015/849 and the information obtained pursuant to that verification has been stored in accordance with Article 40 of that Directive; or
- b Article 14(5) of Directive (EU) 2015/849 applies to the payee.