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COMMISSION DECISION

of 20 December 2001

pursuant to Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the adequate protection of personal data provided by the Canadian Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act

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(2002/2/EC)

Article 1

For the purposes of Article 25(2) of Directive 95/46/EC, Canada is considered as providing an adequate level of protection for personal data transferred from the Community to recipients subject to the Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act ('the Canadian Act').

Article 2

This Decision concerns only the adequacy of protection provided in Canada by the Canadian Act with a view to meeting the requirements of Article 25(1) of Directive 95/46/EC and does not affect other conditions or restrictions implementing other provisions of that Directive that pertain to the processing of personal data within the Member States.

[^{F1}Article 3

Whenever the competent authorities in Member States exercise their powers pursuant to Article 28(3) of Directive 95/46/EC leading to the suspension or definitive ban of data flows to a recipient in Canada whose activities fall under the scope of the Canadian Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act in order to protect individuals with regard to the processing of their personal data, the Member State concerned shall, without delay, inform the Commission which will forward the information to the other Member States.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Substituted by [Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2016/2295 of 16 December 2016 amending Decisions 2000/518/EC, 2002/2/EC, 2003/490/EC, 2003/821/EC, 2004/411/EC, 2008/393/EC, 2010/146/EU, 2010/625/EU, 2011/61/EU and Implementing Decisions 2012/484/EU, 2013/65/EU on the adequate protection of personal data by certain countries, pursuant to Article 25\(6\) of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council \(notified under document C\(2016\) 8353\) \(Text with EEA relevance\).](#)

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[^{F2}Article 3a

1 The Commission shall, on an ongoing basis, monitor developments in the Canadian legal order that could affect the functioning of this Decision, including developments concerning access to personal data by public authorities, with a view to assessing whether Canada continues to ensure an adequate level of protection of personal data.

2 The Member States and the Commission shall inform each other of cases where the action of bodies responsible for ensuring compliance with the standard of protection in Canada fails to secure such compliance.

3 The Member States and the Commission shall inform each other of any indications that interferences by Canadian public authorities responsible for national security, law enforcement or other public interests with the right of individuals to the protection of their personal data go beyond what is strictly necessary, or that there is no effective legal protection against such interferences.

4 Where evidence shows that an adequate level of protection is no longer ensured, including in situations covered by paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Article, the Commission shall inform the competent Canadian authority and, if necessary, propose draft measures in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 31(2) of Directive 95/46/EC with a view to repealing or suspending this Decision or limiting its scope.]

Textual Amendments

F2 Inserted by [Commission Implementing Decision \(EU\) 2016/2295 of 16 December 2016 amending Decisions 2000/518/EC, 2002/2/EC, 2003/490/EC, 2003/821/EC, 2004/411/EC, 2008/393/EC, 2010/146/EU, 2010/625/EU, 2011/61/EU and Implementing Decisions 2012/484/EU, 2013/65/EU on the adequate protection of personal data by certain countries, pursuant to Article 25\(6\) of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council \(notified under document C\(2016\) 8353\)](#) (Text with EEA relevance).

Article 4

1 This Decision may be amended at any time in the light of experience with its functioning or of changes in Canadian legislation, including measures recognising that a Canadian province has substantially similar legislation. The Commission shall evaluate the functioning of this Decision on the basis of available information, three years after its notification to the Member States and report any pertinent findings to the Committee established under Article 31 of Directive 95/46/EC, including any evidence that could affect the finding in Article 1 of this Decision that protection in Canada is adequate within the meaning of Article 25 of Directive 95/46/EC and any evidence that this Decision is being implemented in a discriminatory way.

2 The Commission shall, if necessary, present draft measures in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 31(2) of Directive 95/46/EC.

Article 5

Member States shall take all the measures necessary to comply with this Decision at the latest at the end of a period of 90 days from the date of its notification to the Member States.

Article 6

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

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