



Investigatory Powers Act 2016

2016 CHAPTER 25

PART 6

BULK WARRANTS

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BULK INTERCEPTION WARRANTS

Bulk interception warrants

139 Additional requirements in respect of warrants affecting overseas operators

- (1) This section applies where—
 - (a) an application for a bulk interception warrant has been made, and
 - (b) the Secretary of State considers that a telecommunications operator outside the United Kingdom is likely to be required to provide assistance in giving effect to the warrant if it is issued.
- (2) Before issuing the warrant, the Secretary of State must consult the operator.
- (3) Before issuing the warrant, the Secretary of State must, among other matters, take into account—
 - (a) the likely benefits of the warrant,
 - (b) the likely number of users (if known) of any telecommunications service which is provided by the operator and to which the warrant relates,
 - (c) the technical feasibility of complying with any requirement that may be imposed on the operator to provide assistance in giving effect to the warrant,
 - (d) the likely cost of complying with any such requirement, and
 - (e) any other effect of the warrant on the operator.

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