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Art. 3 Definitions

The following definitions apply:

a.

personal data (data): all information relating to an identified or identifiable person;

b.

data subjects: natural or legal persons whose data is processed;

c.

sensitive personal data: data on:

1.

religious, ideological, political or trade union-related views or activities,

2.

health, the intimate sphere or the racial origin,

3.

social security measures,

4.

administrative or criminal proceedings and sanctions;

d.

personality profile: a collection of data that permits an assessment of essential characteristics of the personality of a natural person;

e.

processing: any operation with personal data, irrespective of the means applied and the procedure, and in particular the collection, storage, use, revision, disclosure, archiving or destruction of data;

f.

disclosure: making personal data accessible, for example by permitting access, transmission or publication;

g.

data file: any set of personal data that is structured in such a way that the data is accessible by data subject;

h.

federal bodies: federal authorities and services as well as persons who are entrusted with federal public tasks;

i.¹

controller of the data file: private persons or federal bodies that decide on the purpose and content of a data file;

j.²

formal enactment:

1.

federal acts,

2.

decrees of international organisations that are binding on Switzerland and international treaties containing legal rules that are approved by the Federal Assembly;

k.³

¹ Amended by No I of the FA of 24 March 2006, in force since 1 Jan. 2008 (AS 2007 4983; BBl 2003 2101).

² Amended by No I of the FA of 24 March 2006, in force since 1 Jan. 2008 (AS 2007 4983; BBl 2003 2101).

³ Repealed by No I of the FA of 24 March 2006, with effect from 1 Jan. 2008 (AS 2007 4983; BBl 2003 2101).

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