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[News Article: UK seeks divergence from GDPR to 'fuel growth'](#)

The Digital Secretary, Oliver Dowden has signalled the UK will explore ways to diverge from the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) where there might be opportunities to encourage economic growth.

[News Article: Third of Office Workers Warned After Sharing Data Via Unofficial Apps](#)

According to a new report, almost a third of office workers surveyed have been warned after sending sensitive business and personal information via non-approved channels.

[ICO News: ICO fines firms for sending more than 2.7 million spam text messages during the pandemic](#)

Two separate companies that sent nuisance text messages during the COVID-19 pandemic have been fined a total of £330,000 by the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). Messages from one of the firms prompted a record 10,000 complaints.

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