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DA.152 Exceptional need: Public emergency

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Art. 15 (1) (a) Data Act - Trialogue Agreement

An exceptional need to use data within the meaning of this Chapter shall be **limited in time and scope** and shall be deemed to exist only in any of the following circumstances:

(a) where the data requested is **necessary to respond to a public emergency** and the public sector body, the Commission, the European Central Bank or Union body is **unable to obtain such data by alternative means** in a timely and effective manner under equivalent conditions;

[...]

Art. 2 (10) Data Act - Trialogue Agreement

'public emergency' means an exceptional situation, limited in time such as public health emergencies, emergencies resulting from natural disasters, as well as human-induced major disasters, including major cybersecurity incidents, negatively affecting the population of the Union, a Member State or part of it, with a risk of serious and lasting repercussions on living conditions or economic stability, financial stability, or the substantial and immediate degradation of economic assets in the Union or the relevant Member State(s) and which is determined or officially declared according to the relevant procedures under Union or national law;