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As the EU and the UK reached a deal on a new data transfer agreement, aiming to provide protection for data transfers to

the US, the Information Commissioner's Office published a statement setting out its position. The EU-US Privacy Shield is intended to replace the Safe Harbour framework.

For the moment, the ICO's position remains the same as set out in October – namely, that in response to complaints about the current Safe Harbour framework, the usual ICO regulatory policy will be applied.

However, the ICO advises organisations to take into account the future application of the Shield, and to highlight this information to companies in the US to whom they may be sending data.

ICO Blog, Safe Harbor: calmer waters on the horizon  
<https://iconewsblog.wordpress.com/2016/02/11/safe-harbor-calmer-waters-on-the-horizon/>

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