

SCHEDULES

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TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AND SAVINGS

Voluntary adoption agencies

2.—(1) Where a body is, before the commencement of Article 14, registered under Article 4 of the [Adoption \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1987 \(NI 22\)](#) (registration of adoption societies), Part III shall, if prescribed requirements are satisfied, have effect after that commencement as if any person carrying on or managing the body were registered under Part III in respect of it, either—

- (a) unconditionally; or
- (b) subject to such conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) Any application made before the commencement of Article 13 for registration under Article 4 of the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 shall be treated after that commencement as an application made under Article 13(1) to the Regulation and Improvement Authority for registration under Part III.

(3) The Department may by order subject to negative resolution make such further transitional provision in relation to the repeal by this Order of provisions of the Adoption (Northern Ireland) Order 1987 as it considers appropriate.