

**2016 No. 89 (C. 5)**

**DEPARTMENTS OF NORTHERN IRELAND**

**The Departments (2016 Act) (Commencement) Order (Northern  
Ireland) 2016**

*Made* - - - -

*1st March 2016*

The First Minister and deputy First Minister acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3(2) of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016(a), make the following Order.

**Citation and Interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Departments (2016 Act) (Commencement) Order (Northern Ireland) 2016.

(2) In this Order “the Act” means the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016.

**Appointed day**

2. The day appointed for the coming into operation of sections 1 and 2 of, and Schedules 1 and 2 to, the Act is 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Dated this 1st day of March 2016.

*Arlene Foster*  
First Minister

*Martin McGuinness*  
deputy First Minister

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order provides for the coming into operation of the following provisions of the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 —

sections 1 and 2 and the Schedules on 8<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

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