## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Act of Adjournal)

This Act of Adjournal inserts new rules into the Criminal Procedure Rules 1996 (S.I.1996/513) to make provision for proceedings in the High Court of Justiciary and the Sheriff Court under various powers in the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 ("the Act of 2002").

In particular, the new rules make provision in relation to proceedings under Part 3 of the Act of 2002 (Confiscation: Scotland) and Chapter 3 of Part 8 (Investigations: Scotland). The Act of Adjournal has effect for proceedings under Chapter 3 of Part 8 of the Act of 2002 from 24th February and for proceedings under Part 3, from 24th March 2003.