
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Reports on Payments to Governments Regulations 2014

PART 4

DUTY TO DELIVER REPORTS AND INFORMATION

False statement offence

- 16.**—(1) It is an offence for a person knowingly or recklessly—
- (a) to deliver or cause to be delivered to the registrar, for the purposes of these Regulations, a document, or
 - (b) to make to the registrar, for any such purpose, a statement,
- that is misleading, false or deceptive in a material particular.
- (2) Paragraph (3) applies if section 85(2) of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012⁽¹⁾ is in force on the day these Regulations are made.
- (3) A person guilty of an offence under this regulation is liable—
- (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine (or both);
 - (b) on summary conviction—
 - (i) in England and Wales, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine (or both);
 - (ii) in Scotland and Northern Ireland, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both).
- (4) Paragraph (5) applies if section 85(2) of the Legal Aid, Sentencing and Punishment of Offenders Act 2012 is not in force on the day these Regulations are made.
- (5) A person guilty of an offence under this regulation is liable—
- (a) on conviction on indictment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years or to a fine (or both);
 - (b) on summary conviction, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding the statutory maximum (or both).
- (6) No proceedings are to be brought under this regulation—
- (a) in England and Wales except by or with the consent of the Secretary of State or the Director of Public Prosecutions;
 - (b) in Northern Ireland except by or with the consent of the Secretary of State or the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.

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