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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 1

#### THE DATA PROTECTION PRINCIPLES

#### PART II

##### INTERPRETATION OF THE PRINCIPLES IN PART I

##### *The eighth principle*

- 13 An adequate level of protection is one which is adequate in all the circumstances of the case, having regard in particular to—
- (a) the nature of the personal data,
  - (b) the country or territory of origin of the information contained in the data,
  - (c) the country or territory of final destination of that information,
  - (d) the purposes for which and period during which the data are intended to be processed,
  - (e) the law in force in the country or territory in question,
  - (f) the international obligations of that country or territory,
  - (g) any relevant codes of conduct or other rules which are enforceable in that country or territory (whether generally or by arrangement in particular cases), and
  - (h) any security measures taken in respect of the data in that country or territory.
- 14 The eighth principle does not apply to a transfer falling within any paragraph of Schedule 4, except in such circumstances and to such extent as the [<sup>F1</sup> Secretary of State] may by order provide.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 1 Pt. 2 para. 14 substituted (19.8.2003) by [The Secretary of State for Constitutional Affairs Order 2003 \(S.I. 2003/1887\)](#), art. 9, [Sch. 2 para. 9\(1\)\(b\)](#)

#### Commencement Information

- II** Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14 wholly in force at 1.3.2000; Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14 in force for certain purposes at Royal Assent see s. 75(2)(i); Sch. 1 Pt. II para. 14 in force at 1.3.2000 insofar as not already in force by [S.I. 2000/183](#), [art. 2\(1\)](#)

- 15 (1) Where—
- (a) in any proceedings under this Act any question arises as to whether the requirement of the eighth principle as to an adequate level of protection is

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met in relation to the transfer of any personal data to a country or territory outside the European Economic Area, and

- (b) a Community finding has been made in relation to transfers of the kind in question,

that question is to be determined in accordance with that finding.

- (2) In sub-paragraph (1) “Community finding” means a finding of the European Commission, under the procedure provided for in Article 31(2) of the Data Protection Directive, that a country or territory outside the European Economic Area does, or does not, ensure an adequate level of protection within the meaning of Article 25(2) of the Directive.

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