*These notes refer to the Serious Crime Act 2007 (c.27) which received Royal Assent on 30th October 2007* 

# **SERIOUS CRIME ACT 2007**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

#### **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

#### **Part 1: Serious Crime Prevention Orders**

General

#### General safeguards in relation to orders

### Section 8: Limited class of applicants for making of orders

35. This section provides that an order in the case of England and Wales can only be applied for by the Director of Public Prosecutions, the Director of Revenue and Customs Prosecutions or the Director of the Serious Fraud Office. It is expected that a Director will decide whether or not to make an application on the basis of information from law enforcement agencies such as the police, Revenue and Customs and SOCA. In the case of Northern Ireland an order may be applied for by the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland. These persons are referred to elsewhere in the Act as the relevant applicant authorities.