



Serious Crime Act 2007

2007 CHAPTER 27

PART 2

ENCOURAGING OR ASSISTING CRIME

Inchoate offences

46 Encouraging or assisting offences believing one or more will be committed

- (1) A person commits an offence if—
 - (a) he does an act capable of encouraging or assisting the commission of one or more of a number of offences; and
 - (b) he believes—
 - (i) that one or more of those offences will be committed (but has no belief as to which); and
 - (ii) that his act will encourage or assist the commission of one or more of them.
- (2) It is immaterial for the purposes of subsection (1)(b)(ii) whether the person has any belief as to which offence will be encouraged or assisted.
- (3) If a person is charged with an offence under subsection (1)—
 - (a) the indictment must specify the offences alleged to be the “number of offences” mentioned in paragraph (a) of that subsection; but
 - (b) nothing in paragraph (a) requires all the offences potentially comprised in that number to be specified.
- (4) In relation to an offence under this section, reference in this Part to the offences specified in the indictment is to the offences specified by virtue of subsection (3)(a).

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Serious Crime Act 2007, Section 46. (See end of Document for details)

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Commencement Information

- I1** [S. 46](#) in force at 1.10.2008 by [S.I. 2008/2504](#), **art. 2(a)**

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