



# Covert Human Intelligence Sources (Criminal Conduct) Act 2021

## 2021 CHAPTER 4

### *Authorising authorities*

#### **4 Authorities to be capable of authorising criminal conduct**

- (1) Section 30 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (persons entitled to grant authorisations under sections 28 and 29 of that Act) is amended in accordance with subsections (2) to (8).
- (2) In the heading, for “and 29” substitute “, 29 and 29B ”.
- (3) In subsection (1), for “and 29” substitute “, 29 and 29B ”.
- (4) In subsection (2)(a), for “or 29” substitute “, 29 or 29B ”.
- (5) In subsection (3)(a), for “and 29” substitute “, 29 and 29B ”.
- (6) In subsection (4)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a), for “I or II” substitute “ A1, 1 or 2 ”;
  - (b) omit the “and” at the end of paragraph (a);
  - (c) in paragraph (b), for “I” substitute “ A1 or 1 ”;
  - (d) at the end of paragraph (b) insert “; and  
(c) in relation to section 29B if it is specified in Part A1 of that Schedule”.
- (7) In subsection (5)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a), for “I or II” substitute “ A1, 1 or 2 ”;
  - (b) in paragraph (c), for “the other” substitute “ another ”.
- (8) In subsection (7)—
  - (a) in paragraph (a), for “I or II” substitute “ A1, 1 or 2 ”;
  - (b) in paragraph (b), for the words from “from” to the end of that paragraph substitute “from—

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- (i) Part 1 or 2 to Part A1 of that Schedule, or
- (ii) Part 2 to Part 1 of that Schedule.”.

(9) In Schedule 1 to that Act (relevant public authorities for the purposes of Part 2 of that Act), before Part 1 (relevant authorities for the purposes of sections 28 and 29 of that Act) insert—

**“PART A1**

RELEVANT AUTHORITIES FOR THE PURPOSES OF SS. 28, 29 AND 29B

***Police forces etc***

Any police force.  
 The National Crime Agency.  
 The Serious Fraud Office.

***The intelligence services***

Any of the intelligence services.

***The armed forces***

Any of Her Majesty's forces.

***Revenue and Customs***

Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs.

***Government departments***

The Department of Health and Social Care.  
 The Home Office.  
 The Ministry of Justice.

***Other bodies***

The Competition and Markets Authority.  
 The Environment Agency.  
 The Financial Conduct Authority.  
 The Food Standards Agency.  
 The Gambling Commission.”

**Commencement Information**

- I1** S. 4 in force at 10.8.2021 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)](#)
- I2** S. 4 in force at 15.9.2021 for specified purposes by [S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(b\)](#)

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**I3** S. 4 in force at 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2(c)

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