
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1996 No. 266

The European Communities (Designation) Order 1996

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Designation) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 7th March 1996.

Designation of Ministers or departments

2.—(1) For the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 the Ministers or government departments specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order are hereby designated in relation to the matters specified in column (2) of that Schedule.

(2) Where a Minister or government department is designated in relation to any item in column (2) of the said Schedule, then, for the purposes of the said section 2(2), that Minister or government department is also hereby designated in relation to anything supplemental or related to the matters specified in that item.

(3) Where more than one Minister or government department is designated by this Order in relation to any matter, the designation of those Ministers or government departments has effect as respects the making of regulations by any of them or by more than one of them acting jointly.

(4) Regulations made by a Northern Ireland Department in pursuance of this Order, that are not made jointly with any Minister, shall form part of the law of Northern Ireland and not of any other part of the United Kingdom.

Revocation of earlier designations

3. The following designations are hereby revoked:

- the designation of the Secretary of State and of any Minister or department of the Government of Northern Ireland in respect of the international carriage of passengers and goods by road, and in particular any scheme (including a quota scheme) for making it possible for carriers in Member States to conduct road transport operations on routes between Member States, in the European Communities (Designation) Order 1972(1);
- the designation of the Secretary of State and of any Northern Ireland Department in respect of measures relating to the management independence of railway undertakings, their financial structure, the separation of accounts for rail infrastructure and transport services, fees for the use of infrastructure and arrangements for access to infrastructure, and the designation of the Secretary of State in respect of measures relating to the adoption of standards for the broadcasting by satellite, and re-transmission by cable, of television signals, in the European Communities (Designation) Order 1992(2); and
- the designation of the Secretary of State in respect of measures relating to competition in the markets for satellite communications and telecommunications services other than public voice

(1) S.I.1972/1811.

(2) S.I. 1992/707.

telephony, mobile and telex services, and satellite communications and telecommunications terminal equipment, in the European Communities (Designation) (No. 2) Order 1995⁽³⁾.

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