STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1997 No. 1538

The Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997 (Transitional Provisions and Savings) Regulations 1997

2.—(1) Section 7(3) of the Firearms (Amendment) Act 1997 shall—

- (a) until the date specified in paragraph (2) below, and
- (b) insofar as it relates to the designation of a place for the purposes of that subsection,

have effect for the purposes only of designating a place for the keeping of firearms to which that subsection relates.

- (2) The date referred to in paragraph (1) above is—
 - (a) 1st July 1998, or
 - (b) the date on which the Secretary of State notifies the person or persons responsible for the management of the place in question that he is satisfied that that place is suitable for the use of firearms to which that subsection relates,

whichever date is the sooner.

- (3) Paragraphs (1) and (2) above shall not, at any time, prevent—
 - (a) the designation of a place for the purposes only of the keeping of firearms being expressed as a designation of that place for the purposes of that subsection, or
 - (b) the attachment, to a firearm certificate, of a condition requiring a firearm to which the certificate relates to be kept and used only at a place designated for the purposes of that subsection by the Secretary of State,

but, for the purposes of the exemption contained in that subsection, the effect of any such designation or condition shall, until the date specified in paragraph (2) above, be limited in accordance with paragraph (1) above.