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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 304**

**The Armed Forces Act 1996  
(Commencement No. 2) Order 1997**

**3.—(1)** Nothing in article 2 of this Order insofar as it relates to section 5 of and Schedule 1 to the Act shall have effect in relation to—

- (a) any summary dealing or summary trial,
- (b) any trial by a court-martial or a standing civilian court, or
- (c) the hearing of any appeal by the Courts-Martial Appeal Court,

which commenced before 1st April 1997.

(2) Nothing in article 2 of this Order insofar as it relates to sections 15 to 17 of and Schedule 5 to the Act shall have effect in relation to any finding made, sentence passed or punishment awarded before 1st April 1997.

(3) Nothing in article 2 insofar as it relates to provisions which repeal, amend or substitute provisions in enactments shall affect the validity of anything done before 1st April 1997 under the authority of the provisions which have been repealed, amended or substituted.