## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Police Pensions Regulations 1987 to—

- (a) provide for the pension rights of police officers who transfer to the National Criminal Intelligence Service or the National Crime Squad to be preserved or transferred (without payment of a transfer value) at the election of the officer (regulation 3);
- (b) ensure that senior officers are entitled to immediate payment of pension at the end of fixed term appointments (regulation 4); and
- (c) make minor amendments (regulation 5)—
  - (i) consequential on the abolition of the ranks of deputy chief constable and deputy assistant commissioner;
  - (ii) to bring City of London commanders within the provisions for compulsory retirement on account of age; and
  - (iii) to update the definition of "central service" to include service in the National Criminal Intelligence Service, the National Crime Squad or the Police Information Technology Organisation.