

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates certain codes of practice issued by various media organisations. As designated codes of practice, compliance with them may be taken into account when determining for the purposes of section 32(1)(b) of the Data Protection Act 1998 whether a data controller reasonably believes that publication of any journalistic, literary or artistic material would be in the public interest.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment was prepared for the Data Protection Bill as it was then and the statutory instruments to be made under it, and was placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament. The Regulatory Impact Assessment is now available on the internet at www.homeoffice.gov.uk. Alternatively, copies can be obtained by post from the Home Office, LGDP Unit, 50 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AT.