EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order substitutes the Schedule to the Dangerous Wild Animals Act 1976 ("the Act"), which specifies the kinds of animals to which the provisions of the Act apply. The changes effected by this order represent the outcome of a further review of the Schedule to the Act as last modified by S.I. 1984/1111.

This Order adds the following animals to the Schedule: the Argentine Black-headed snake, the Peruvian racer, the South American green racer, the Amazon false viper, the Middle eastern thin-tailed scorpion and the dingo.

The following animals are no longer listed in the Schedule and so the provisions of the Act no longer apply to them: certain smaller primates (woolly lemurs, tamarins, night (or owl) monkeys, titis and squirrel monkeys), sloths, the North American porcupine, the capybara, crested porcupines; cacomistles, racoons, coatis, olingoes, the little coatimundi, kinkajou, binturong, cat hybrids which are predominantly domestic cat, hyraxes, guanaco, vicuna, emus, sand snakes, mangrove snakes, and the Brazilian wolf spider.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.