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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order in Council is made under sections 1 and 2 of the Ministers of the Crown Act 1975. It makes provision in connection with the establishment of the office of Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport.

Article 3 provides for the incorporation of the Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport as a corporation sole and for the authentication of the corporate seal and execution and certification of documents.

Article 4 transfers to the Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport the functions of the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport. Article 5 transfers to the Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport the property, rights and liabilities of the Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport. Articles 6 and 10 make other supplemental provision.

Article 7 provides that functions relating to the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics under specified legislation which are exercisable by the Secretary of State and Paymaster General concurrently cease to be exercisable by the Paymaster General. Article 8 transfers to the Secretary of State for Culture, Olympics, Media and Sport property, rights and liabilities relating to the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics to which the Paymaster General is entitled or subject. Articles 9 and 10 make other supplemental provision.

Article 11 and the Schedule to the Order make consequential amendments to Acts of Parliament and subordinate legislation.

Nothing in this Order alters the functions of the Welsh Ministers, the Scottish Ministers or the devolved authorities in Northern Ireland.

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