
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1999 No. 2789

The Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1999

PART I

INTRODUCTORY

Meaning of “sexual offence” and other references to offences

3.—(1) In this Order “sexual offence” means—

- (a) ^{F1}
- (b) ^{F1}
- (c) ^{F1}
- (d) ^{F1}
- (e) ^{F1}
- (f) ^{F1}
- (g) ^{F1}
- (gg) ^{F1}

^{F2}(ga)

[^{F3}(h) any offence under any provision of the Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008.]

[^{F4}(1A) In this Order “a slavery or human trafficking offence” means an offence under—

- (a) section 57, 58, 58A or 59 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003 (trafficking for sexual exploitation);
- (b) section 4 of the Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc.) Act 2004 (trafficking for exploitation);
- (c) section 71 of the Coroners and Justice Act 2009 (slavery, servitude and forced or compulsory labour); or
- (d) section 1 or 2 of the Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Criminal Justice and Support for Victims) Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (slavery, servitude, forced or compulsory labour and human trafficking).]

(2) In this Order any reference (including a reference having effect by virtue of this paragraph) to an offence of any description (“the substantive offence”) is to be taken to include a reference to an offence which consists of attempting or conspiring to commit, or of aiding, abetting, counselling, procuring or inciting the commission of, the substantive offence.

F1 Art. 3(1)(a)-(gg) repealed (2.2.2009) by [Sexual Offences \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/1769 \(N.I. 2\)\)](#), arts. 1(3), 81, 83, Sch. 1 para. 27(2)(a), **Sch. 3**; S.R. 2008/510, **art. 2**

F2 Art. 3(1)(ga) repealed (14.1.2015) by [Human Trafficking and Exploitation \(Criminal Justice and Support for Victims\) Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2015 \(c. 2\)](#), s. 28(2), **Sch. 5**

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- F3** Art. 3(1)(h) inserted (2.2.2009) by Sexual Offences (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 (S.I. 2008/1769 (N.I. 2)), arts. 1(3), 81, **Sch. 1 para. 27(2)(c)**; S.R. 2008/510, **art. 2**
- F4** Art. 3(1A) inserted (14.1.2015) by Human Trafficking and Exploitation (Criminal Justice and Support for Victims) Act (Northern Ireland) 2015 (c. 2), **ss. 24(2), 28(2)**

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Art. 3(2) modified (1.10.2008) by Serious Crime Act 2007 (c. 27), ss. 63(1), 94(1), **Sch. 6 para. 38** (with Sch. 13 para. 5); S.I. 2008/2504, **art. 2(a)**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Order (including any effects on those provisions):

- art. 29(3)(aa) inserted by [2015 c. 9 \(N.I.\) Sch. 2 para. 11](#)
- art. 29(3)(aa) words substituted in earlier affecting provision [2015 c. 9 \(N.I.\), Sch. 2 para. 11](#) by [2022 c. 4 \(N.I.\) s. 4\(9\)\(h\)](#)