

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Rules amend the Crown Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1979 ([S.R. 1979 No. 90](#)) to take account of the Criminal Justice (European Investigation Order) Regulations 2017 ([S.I. 2017/730](#)) which transpose [Directive 2014/41/EU](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 regarding the European Investigation Order in criminal matters. (OJ NO L 130, 1.5.2014, p.1).