



# Northern Ireland Act 1998

## 1998 CHAPTER 47

### PART III U.K.

#### EXECUTIVE AUTHORITIES

##### *Functions*

#### 27 Quotas for purposes of international etc obligations. U.K.

- (1) A Minister of the Crown may make an order containing provision such as is specified in subsection (2) where—
    - (a) an international obligation or [<sup>F1</sup>[<sup>F2</sup>an assimilated] obligation] is an obligation to achieve a result defined by reference to a quantity (whether expressed as an amount, proportion or ratio or otherwise); and
    - (b) the quantity relates to the United Kingdom (or to an area including the United Kingdom or to an area consisting of a part of the United Kingdom which is or includes the whole or part of Northern Ireland).
  - (2) The provision referred to in subsection (1) is provision for the achievement by a Minister or Northern Ireland department (in the exercise of his or its functions) of so much of the result to be achieved under the international obligation or [<sup>F3</sup>[<sup>F4</sup>assimilated] obligation] as is specified in the order.
  - (3) The order may specify the time by which any part of the result to be achieved by the Minister or department is to be achieved.
  - (4) Where an order under subsection (1) is in force in relation to an international obligation <sup>F5</sup>..., the obligation shall have effect for the purposes of this Act as if it were an obligation to achieve so much of the result to be achieved under the obligation as is specified in the order by the time or times so specified.
- [<sup>F6</sup>(4A) Where an order under subsection (1) is in force in relation to [<sup>F7</sup>an assimilated] obligation, the Minister or Northern Ireland department must (in the exercise of the Minister's or the department's functions) achieve so much of the result to be achieved under the obligation as is specified in the order by the time or times so specified.]

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- (5) No order shall be made by a Minister of the Crown under subsection (1) unless he has consulted the Minister or department concerned.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 27(1)(a) substituted (31.12.2020) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(4), [Sch. 3 para. 56\(2\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#)); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(l) (with reg. 10)
- F2** Words in s. 27(1)(a) substituted (1.1.2024) by [Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(c. 28\)](#), s. 22(3), [Sch. 2 para. 4\(a\)](#) (with s. 22(6)); S.I. 2023/1363, reg. 3(e)
- F3** Words in s. 27(2) substituted (31.12.2020) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(4), [Sch. 3 para. 56\(3\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#)); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(l) (with reg. 10)
- F4** Word in s. 27(2) substituted (1.1.2024) by [Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(c. 28\)](#), s. 22(3), [Sch. 2 para. 4\(b\)](#) (with s. 22(6)); S.I. 2023/1363, reg. 3(e)
- F5** Words in s. 27(4) omitted (31.12.2020) by virtue of [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(4), [Sch. 3 para. 56\(4\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#)); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(l) (with regs. 10, 22)
- F6** S. 27(4A) inserted (31.12.2020) by [European Union \(Withdrawal\) Act 2018 \(c. 16\)](#), s. 25(4), [Sch. 3 para. 56\(5\)](#) (with s. 19, [Sch. 8 para. 37](#)); S.I. 2020/1622, reg. 3(l) (with reg. 10)
- F7** Words in s. 27(4A) substituted (1.1.2024) by [Retained EU Law \(Revocation and Reform\) Act 2023 \(c. 28\)](#), s. 22(3), [Sch. 2 para. 4\(c\)](#) (with s. 22(6)); S.I. 2023/1363, reg. 3(e)

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