

*These notes refer to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers
Act 2000 (c.23) which received Royal Assent on 28 July 2000*

REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS ACT 2000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

OVERVIEW

Surveillance and Covert Human Intelligence Sources

10. This Part provides a statutory basis for the authorisation and use by the security and intelligence agencies, law enforcement and other public authorities of covert surveillance, agents, informants and undercover officers. It will regulate the use of these techniques and safeguard the public from unnecessary invasions of their privacy.