



# Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000

## 2000 CHAPTER 23

### PART II

#### SURVEILLANCE AND COVERT HUMAN INTELLIGENCE SOURCES

##### *Authorisation of surveillance and human intelligence sources*

#### **30 Persons entitled to grant authorisations under ss. 28 <sup>[F1]</sup>, 29 and 29B].**

- (1) Subject to subsection (3), the persons designated for the purposes of sections 28 <sup>[F2]</sup>, 29 and 29B] are the individuals holding such offices, ranks or positions with relevant public authorities as are prescribed for the purposes of this subsection by an order under this section.
- (2) For the purposes of the grant of an authorisation that combines—
  - (a) an authorisation under section 28 <sup>[F3]</sup>, 29 or 29B], and
  - (b) an authorisation by the Secretary of State for the carrying out of intrusive surveillance,the Secretary of State himself shall be a person designated for the purposes of that section.
- (3) An order under this section may impose restrictions—
  - (a) on the authorisations under sections 28 <sup>[F4]</sup>, 29 and 29B] that may be granted by any individual holding an office, rank or position with a specified public authority; and
  - (b) on the circumstances in which, or the purposes for which, such authorisations may be granted by any such individual.
- (4) A public authority is a relevant public authority for the purposes of this section—
  - (a) in relation to section 28 if it is specified in Part <sup>[F5]</sup>A1, 1 or 2] of Schedule 1; <sup>F6</sup>...

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- (b) in relation to section 29 if it is specified in Part [F7A1 or 1] of that Schedule [F8; and
  - (c) in relation to section 29B if it is specified in Part A1 of that Schedule]
- (5) An order under this section may amend Schedule 1 by—
- (a) adding a public authority to Part [F9A1, 1 or 2] of that Schedule;
  - (b) removing a public authority from that Schedule;
  - (c) moving a public authority from one Part of that Schedule to [F10another];
  - (d) making any change consequential on any change in the name of a public authority specified in that Schedule.
- (6) Without prejudice to section 31, the power to make an order under this section shall be exercisable by the Secretary of State.
- (7) The Secretary of State shall not make an order under subsection (5) containing any provision for—
- (a) adding any public authority to Part [F11A1, 1 or 2] of that Schedule, or
  - (b) moving any public authority [F12from—
    - (i) Part 1 or 2 to Part A1 of that Schedule, or
    - (ii) Part 2 to Part 1 of that Schedule,]
- unless a draft of the order has been laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House.

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 30 heading substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(2\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 30(1) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(3\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F3** Words in s. 30(2)(a) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(4\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F4** Words in s. 30(3)(a) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(5\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F5** Words in s. 30(4)(a) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(6\)\(a\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F6** Word in s. 30(4)(a) omitted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by virtue of [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(6\)\(b\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F7** Words in s. 30(4)(b) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(6\)\(c\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F8** S. 30(4)(c) and word inserted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(6\)\(d\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F9** Words in s. 30(5)(a) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(7\)\(a\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)

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- F10** Word in s. 30(5)(c) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(7\)\(b\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F11** Words in s. 30(7)(a) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(8\)\(a\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)
- F12** Words in s. 30(7)(b) substituted (10.8.2021 for specified purposes, 15.9.2021 for specified purposes, 30.9.2021 in so far as not already in force) by [Covert Human Intelligence Sources \(Criminal Conduct\) Act 2021 \(c. 4\), ss. 4\(8\)\(b\), 9\(2\); S.I. 2021/605, reg. 2\(a\)\(b\)\(c\)](#)

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**Changes and effects yet to be applied to :**

- s. 30(6) words inserted by [2016 anaw 6 s. 187\(2\)\(a\)](#)

**Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:**

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

- s. 30(6A)-(6D) inserted by [2016 anaw 6 s. 187\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 16A and cross-heading inserted by [2016 anaw 6 s. 187\(3\)](#)
- Sch. 1 Pt. 1 para. 20H inserted by [2013 c. 32 Sch. 12 para. 74](#)