

*These notes refer to the Counter-Terrorism Act 2008
(c.28) which received Royal Assent on 26 November 2008*

COUNTER-TERRORISM ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 7 – Miscellaneous

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Section 74 – Inquiries: intercept evidence

202. **Section 74** amends section 18 of RIPA to allow disclosure of intercept material to a person appointed as counsel to an inquiry held under the Inquiries Act 2005, in addition to the panel of an inquiry. But the inquiry panel may not order the disclosure of intercept material unless it is satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances that make the disclosure essential (see section 18(8A) of RIPA).