

# Taxation (International and Other Provisions) Act 2010

# **2010 CHAPTER 8**

## PART 2

DOUBLE TAXATION RELIEF

## CHAPTER 1

DOUBLE TAXATION ARRANGEMENTS AND UNILATERAL RELIEF ARRANGEMENTS

Unilateral relief arrangements

## 15 Rule 7: credit for underlying tax on dividend paid to sub-10% associate

(1) This section applies for the purposes of section 12(1).

- (2) Credit under section 9 for overseas tax on a dividend paid by a company ("P") resident in the territory is allowed if each of conditions A to C is met.
- (3) Condition A is that—
  - (a) the recipient of the dividend is a company resident in the United Kingdom, or
  - (b) the recipient is a company resident outside the United Kingdom but the dividend forms part of the profits of a permanent establishment of the recipient in the United Kingdom.

#### (4) Condition B is that the recipient—

- (a) directly or indirectly controls, or
- (b) is a subsidiary of a company which directly or indirectly controls,

less than 10% of the voting power in P.

- (5) If condition B is met, in subsection (6) "the held percentage" means the voting power in P which is directly or indirectly controlled by—
  - (a) the recipient, or
  - (b) a company of which the recipient is a subsidiary.
- (6) Condition C is that—
  - (a) the held percentage has been reduced below 10%,
  - (b) the recipient shows that the reduction below the 10% limit (and any further reduction)—
    - (i) could not have been prevented by any reasonable endeavours on the part of the recipient, a parent or an associate, and
    - (ii) was due to a cause or causes not reasonably foreseeable by the recipient, a parent or an associate when control of the relevant voting power was acquired, and
  - (c) the recipient shows that no reasonable endeavours on the part of the recipient, a parent or an associate could have restored, or (as the case may be) increased, the held percentage to at least 10%.
- (7) For the purposes of subsection (6) a company is an "associate" if-
  - (a) the company is neither the recipient nor a parent,
  - (b) before the reduction, the voting power in P that is in question was controlled otherwise than directly by the recipient, and
  - (c) the company is relevant for determining whether, before the reduction, the recipient—
    - (i) indirectly controlled, or

(ii) was a subsidiary of a company which directly or indirectly controlled, at least 10% of the voting power in P.

(8) In subsections (6) and (7) "parent" means a company of which the recipient is a subsidiary.

(9) In subsection (6) "the relevant voting power" means-

- (a) the voting power in P as a result of which relief was due under section 14 before the reduction, or
- (b) if control of the whole of that voting power was not acquired at the same time, that part of the voting power of which control was last acquired.
- (10) For the purposes of this section, the recipient is a subsidiary of another company if the other company controls, directly or indirectly, at least 50% of the voting power in the recipient.

#### Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Taxation (International and Other Provisions) Act 2010, Section 15.