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The European Parliamentary Elections (Changes to the Franchise and Qualification of Representatives) Regulations 1994

PART III

CHANGES TO THE FRANCHISE AND PROVISIONS ABOUT REGISTRATION

Amendments about electors to European Parliamentary Elections (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1986

- **16.**—(1) In regulation 4 of the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations (interpretation of those Regulations and of provisions applied by them)
 - (a) in the definition of "elector", the word "either" shall be omitted and for the words "or section 3 of the Act of 1985" there shall be substituted ", section 3 of the Act of 1985 or regulation 7 of the Regulations of 1994"; and
 - (b) in the definition of "register", after paragraph (b), there shall be added—

"and

- (c) a register under regulation 9 of the Regulations of 1994".
- (2) In regulation 5(9) of the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations (references to proxy papers) after the words "proxy for" there shall be inserted "a relevant citizen of the Union registered as a European Parliamentary elector or".
- (3) There shall be inserted the following modification of section 49 of the Act of 1983, as applied by the left-hand column of Schedule 1 to the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations (application with modifications of provisions of the Representation of the People Acts 1983 and 1985 for the purposes of European Parliamentary elections), after the existing modification in the right-hand column of that Schedule:

"In subsection (5), for the words "Republic of Ireland", in both places where they occur, there shall be substituted "Union".".

(4) There shall be inserted the following modification of rule 37 (voting procedure) in Schedule 1 (elections rules) to the Act of 1983(1), as applied by the left-hand column of Schedule 1 to the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations, before the existing modification in the right-hand column of that Schedule:

⁽¹⁾ Paragraphs (1A) to (1G) of rule 37 have been inserted by section 1(2) of the Elections (Northern Ireland) Act 1985 (c. 2) and there have been amendments to paragraph (1E) which are not relevant in this context.

"In paragraph (1E)(b) for the words "the United" onwards there shall be substituted "any Member State"."

(5) There shall be inserted the following modification of section 8 of the Representation of the People Act 1985, as applied by the left-hand column of Schedule 1 to the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations, before the existing modification in the right-hand column of that Schedule:

"In subsection (3)(b) for the words "Republic of Ireland" there shall be substituted "Union".".

- (6) In Part II of Schedule 3 to the European (Northern Ireland) Regulations
 - (a) in the heading, for the words after "FOR A PROXY" there shall be substituted "FOR AN ELECTOR AT EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS ONLY";
 - (b) in the form, after the word "who" there shall be inserted "*is qualified to be registered as a European Parliamentary elector for (Qualifying address). .*"; and
 - (c) in note 3 of the notes to that form, for the words "the Republic of Ireland" there shall be substituted "a Member State of the European Communities".