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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Aviation Security (Air Cargo Agents) Regulations 1993. The principal changes are as follows—

- (1) Extending from every three years to every five years the period for applying to remain on the list of security approved air cargo agents (regulation 2(a)), and
- (2) Enabling the Secretary of State to remove a security approved air cargo agent from the list of security approved air cargo agents without first giving notice to the air cargo agent of a proposal to do so and considering representations before making that decision. In such a case the Secretary of State is required to give notice with reasons and the air cargo agent is afforded a right of appeal to the Secretary of State. The Secretary of State's decision on appeal must be notified to the agent and, in a case where the decision is to maintain the removal of the agent from the list, reasons for that decision must be given (regulation 2(b) and (c)).