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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1996 No. 266**

**EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES**

**The European Communities (Designation) Order 1996**

*Made* - - - - *14th February 1996*  
*Laid before Parliament* *15th February 1996*  
*Coming into force* - - *7th March 1996*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 14th day of February 1996

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972<sup>(1)</sup>, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Designation) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 7th March 1996.

**Designation of Ministers or departments**

2.—(1) For the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 the Ministers or government departments specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order are hereby designated in relation to the matters specified in column (2) of that Schedule.

(2) Where a Minister or government department is designated in relation to any item in column (2) of the said Schedule, then, for the purposes of the said section 2(2), that Minister or government department is also hereby designated in relation to anything supplemental or related to the matters specified in that item.

(3) Where more than one Minister or government department is designated by this Order in relation to any matter, the designation of those Ministers or government departments has effect as respects the making of regulations by any of them or by more than one of them acting jointly.

(4) Regulations made by a Northern Ireland Department in pursuance of this Order, that are not made jointly with any Minister, shall form part of the law of Northern Ireland and not of any other part of the United Kingdom.

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(1) 1972 c. 68.

### Revocation of earlier designations

3. The following designations are hereby revoked:

- the designation of the Secretary of State and of any Minister or department of the Government of Northern Ireland in respect of the international carriage of passengers and goods by road, and in particular any scheme (including a quota scheme) for making it possible for carriers in Member States to conduct road transport operations on routes between Member States, in the European Communities (Designation) Order 1972<sup>(2)</sup>;
- the designation of the Secretary of State and of any Northern Ireland Department in respect of measures relating to the management independence of railway undertakings, their financial structure, the separation of accounts for rail infrastructure and transport services, fees for the use of infrastructure and arrangements for access to infrastructure, and the designation of the Secretary of State in respect of measures relating to the adoption of standards for the broadcasting by satellite, and re-transmission by cable, of television signals, in the European Communities (Designation) Order 1992<sup>(3)</sup>; and
- the designation of the Secretary of State in respect of measures relating to competition in the markets for satellite communications and telecommunications services other than public voice telephony, mobile and telex services, and satellite communications and telecommunications terminal equipment, in the European Communities (Designation) (No. 2) Order 1995<sup>(4)</sup>.

*N. H. Nicholls*  
Clerk of the Privy Council

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<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 1972/1811.  
<sup>(3)</sup> S.I. 1992/707.  
<sup>(4)</sup> S.I. 1995/751.

## SCHEDULE

Article 2

## DESIGNATIONS

(1) Ministers or departments	(2) Matters in relation to which the Ministers or departments are designated
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to the employment of children and young persons.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to the transport of dangerous or environmentally hazardous goods by road or rail.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to consultation with employees on health and safety at work.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to railways and railway transport.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to the carriage of passengers and goods by road.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to the management of packaging and packaging waste.
Any Northern Ireland Department	The preceding items in this column.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to the making of exclusion orders under the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 <sup>(5)</sup> .
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to advanced television services, including digital conditional access and subscription management services.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to telecommunications.
The Secretary of State	Measures relating to supplementary protection certificates for plant protection products.
The Forestry Commissioners	Measures relating to the common agricultural policy of the European Community in respect of forestry.
Any Northern Ireland Department	Measures relating to open-ended collective investment schemes which have as their purpose investment in transferable securities, with the aim of spreading investment risk, of funds raised from the public.

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<sup>(5)</sup> 1989 c. 4.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This is a further Order in the series designating Ministers who, and departments which, may exercise powers to make regulations conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and specifying the matters in relation to which those powers may be exercised. It partly revokes three earlier Orders in the series (S.I. [1972/1811](#), S.I. [1992/707](#) and S.I. [1995/751](#)).