STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The European Nursing and Midwifery Qualifications Designation Order 1996

PART II

DESIGNATION OF QUALIFICATIONS HAVING COMMUNITY EQUIVALENCE FOR REGISTRATION PURPOSES

Transitional provision for Spanish midwifery qualifications

- **9.**—(1) Subject to paragraph (3), a professional midwifery qualification, not being one to which article 5 or 6 applies, in respect of which a diploma specified in paragraph (2) has been obtained in Spain shall have Community equivalence for the purposes of registration.
 - (2) The diploma referred to in paragraph (1) is one which—
 - (a) is evidence of training received in Spain which commenced before 1st January 1986; and
 - (b) is accompanied by—
 - (i) a certificate issued by the competent authority in Spain to the effect that the diploma was awarded following training which satisfies all the training requirements in Article 1 of the Second Midwifery Directive, or
 - (ii) if the training does not satisfy the requirements laid down in Article 1 of the Second Midwifery Directive, a competent authority certificate.
 - (3) A qualification referred to paragraph (1)—
 - (a) in respect of which a person holds a diploma referred to in paragraph (2)(a) which is accompanied by a certificate referred to in paragraph (2)(b)(i); but
 - (b) where the diploma is required to be recognised by other EEA States in pursuance of Article 2 of the First Midwifery Directive only if the holder has undertaken professional practice in respect of which a certificate complying with Article 4 of that Directive is issued,

shall have Community equivalence for the purposes of registration if the requirement in paragraph (4) is satisfied.

- (4) The requirement referred to in paragraph (2) is that a diploma referred to in that paragraph be accompanied by—
 - (a) an Article 4 certificate relating to the holder; or
 - (b) if the diploma was obtained before 1st January 1986, a competent authority certificate relating to the holder.