STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2000 No. 1114

PATENTS

The Patents (Convention Countries) (Amendment) Order 2000

Made - - - - 19th April 2000
Laid before Parliament 3rd May 2000
Coming into force - - 24th May 2000

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 19th day of April 2000 Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 90(1) and section 124(3) of the Patents Act 1977(1), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Patents (Convention Countries) (Amendment) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 24th May 2000.
 - 2. Taiwan is a convention country for the purposes of section 5 of the Patents Act 1977.
- **3.** The Patents (Convention Countries) Order 1994(2) shall be amended by the insertion in Schedule 1 thereto of Taiwan in proper alphabetical order.

A. K. Galloway Clerk of the Privy Council

^{(1) 1977} c. 37.

⁽²⁾ S.I.1994/3220 as amended by S.I. 1995/2989.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order, made pursuant to section 90(1) of the Patents Act 1977 with a view to the fulfilment of an international arrangement, declares Taiwan to be a convention country for the purposes of section 5 of the Patents Act 1977. Section 5 of the Patents Act 1977 affords certain rights of priority to applicants for patents, and this Order extends these rights of priority to applications filed in Taiwan.