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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2000 No. 416**

**DATA PROTECTION**

**The Data Protection (Crown Appointments) Order 2000**

*Made - - - - 17th February 2000*

*Coming into force - - 1st March 2000*

Whereas a draft of this Order has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by paragraph 4 of Schedule 7 to the Data Protection Act 1998(1), and after consultation with the Data Protection Commissioner in accordance with section 67(3) of that Act, hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Data Protection (Crown Appointments) Order 2000 and shall come into force on 1st March 2000.

2. There shall be exempted from the subject information provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 (as defined by section 27(2) of that Act) personal data processed for the purposes of assessing any person's suitability for any of the offices listed in the Schedule to this Order.

Home Office  
17th February 2000

*Mike O'Brien*  
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State

SCHEDULE

Article 2

EXEMPTIONS FROM SUBJECT INFORMATION PROVISIONS

Offices to which appointments are made by Her Majesty:—

- (a) Archbishops, diocesan and suffragan bishops in the Church of England
- (b) Deans of cathedrals of the Church of England
- (c) Deans and Canons of the two Royal Peculiars
- (d) The First and Second Church Estates Commissioners
- (e) Lord-Lieutenants
- (f) Masters of Trinity College and Churchill College, Cambridge
- (g) The Provost of Eton
- (h) The Poet Laureate
- (i) The Astronomer Royal

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

The Data Protection Act 1998 imposes certain obligations on data controllers to give data subjects information about the processing of their personal data and access to those personal data. By virtue of section 27(2) of that Act, the provisions imposing these obligations are referred to as the “subject information provisions”.

This Order exempts from the subject information provisions processing of personal data for the purposes of assessing any person’s suitability for certain offices to which appointments are made by Her Majesty.

This Order contributes to the implementation of Directive [95/46/EC](#) on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.

A Regulatory Impact Assessment was prepared for the Data Protection Bill as it was then and the statutory instruments to be made under it, and was placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament. The Regulatory Impact Assessment is now available on the internet at [www.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk). Alternatively, copies can be obtained by post from the Home Office, LGDP Unit, 50 Queen Anne’s Gate, London SW1H 9AT.