STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2001 No. 402

PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF TERRORISM

The Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice on Video Recording of Interviews) (Northern Ireland) Order 2001

Made - - - - 12th February 2001 Coming into force - - 19th February 2001

Whereas:

- (1) under paragraph 2 of Schedule 8 to the Terrorism Act 2000(1) ("the 2000 Act") the Secretary of State has made an Order requiring the video recording with sound of interviews by a constable of any person detained under Schedule 7 to or section 41 of the 2000 Act which take place in Northern Ireland in a police station (within the meaning of paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act)(2);
- (2) by paragraph 3(4)(a) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act, the Secretary of State is required to issue a code of practice in connection with the video recording of interviews as mentioned above;
- (3) pursuant to paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act, the Secretary of State has published a draft of the code of practice in connection with the above matter and has considered representations made to him about it and modified it as he thinks appropriate;
- (4) pursuant to paragraph 4(3) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act the Secretary of State has laid a draft of the code of practice before Parliament;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred upon him by paragraph 4(4) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act the Secretary of State makes the following Order, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament in accordance with section 123(4)(k) of the 2000 Act and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Terrorism Act 2000 (Code of Practice on Video Recording of Interviews) (Northern Ireland) Order 2001 and shall come into force on 19th February 2001.

^{(1) 2000} c. 11.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2000/3179.

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Code of Practice

2. The code of practice in connection with the video recording with sound of any interview by a constable of a person detained under Schedule 7 to or section 41 of the 2000 Act where the interview takes place in Northern Ireland in a police station (within the meaning of paragraph 1(2) of Schedule 8 to the 2000 Act), which was laid before Parliament in draft on 15th January 2001, shall come into operation on 19th February 2001.

Northern Ireland Office 12th February 2001 John Reid
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of
State

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order appoints 19th February 2001 as the date on which the code of practice on the video recording with sound of interviews by police officers of persons detained in a police station under the Terrorism Act 2000 comes into operation. "Police station" includes any place which the Secretary of State has designated under paragraph 1(1) of Schedule 8 to the Terrorism Act 2000 as a place where a person may be detained under section 41 of that Act.

Copies of the code of practice can be obtained from: The Stationery Office 16 Arthur Street Belfast

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