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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2002 No. 3170**

**The Medicines for Human Use (Kava-kava) (Prohibition) Order 2002**

**Citation, commencement and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Medicines for Human Use (Kava-kava) (Prohibition) Order 2002 and shall come into force on 13th January 2003.

(2) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Medicines Act 1968;

“EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992<sup>(1)</sup> as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993<sup>(2)</sup>;

“EEA State” means a State which is a Contracting Party to the EEA Agreement;

“external use” means application to the skin, hair, teeth, mucosa of the mouth, throat, nose, ear, eye, vagina or anal canal when a local action only is intended and extensive systemic absorption is unlikely to occur, and references to medicinal products being “for external use” shall be read accordingly—except that such references shall not include throat sprays, throat pastilles, throat lozenges, throat tablets, nasal drops, nasal sprays, nasal inhalations or teething preparations;

“free circulation in member States” has the same meaning as in Article 23.2, as read with Article 24, of the Treaty establishing the European Community; and

“medicinal product” does not include a medicinal product which is a veterinary drug.

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(1) OJNo. L1, 3.1.1994, p.3.

(2) OJ No. L1, 3.1.1994, p.572.