EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM TO THE

AIR NAVIGATION (OVERSEAS TERRITORIES) (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2005

2005 No. 2763

1. This explanatory memorandum has been prepared by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and is laid before Parliament by Command of Her Majesty.

2. Description

This Instrument further amends the Air Navigation (Overseas Territories) Order 2001 (SI 2001 No. 2128) ("the 2001 Order") in order to give legal effect in the United Kingdom Overseas Territories to certain International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) standards and recommendations.

3. Matters of special interest to the Joint Committee on Statutory Instruments

None.

4. Legislative background

This instrument is the latest of a series of amending Orders designed to keep the 2001 Order up to date by implementing the latest standards and recommendations of ICAO.

5. Extent

This instrument amends the 2001 Order which applies to all of the United Kingdom Overseas Territories with the exception of Gibraltar.

6. European Convention on Human Rights

Not applicable.

7. Policy background

The policy objective is to implement in the Overseas Territories the United Kingdom's obligations under the Chicago Convention on International Civil Aviation as elaborated by the work of ICAO with respect to aviation safety.

8. Impact

The Regulatory Impact Assessments undertaken by the Civil Aviation Authority in the United Kingdom on the corresponding amendments to United Kingdom legislation were fully considered in the context of the civil aviation activity undertaken in the Overseas Territories. It is considered that there will be little or no impact on the private or voluntary sector as a result of the proposals. Governors, Directors of Civil Aviation and the aviation industry in the Territories have been consulted and are content with the proposals.

9. Contact

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