

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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

These Regulations amend the Charities (Exception from Registration) Regulations 1996. They extend the temporary exception granted to certain religious charities from the requirement to be registered under the Charities Act 1993. The temporary exception, which would have originally expired on 1st March 2001, was extended until 1st October 2002 and then again, by the Charities (Exception From Registration) (Amendment) Regulations 2002, until 1st October 2007. These Regulations further extend the temporary exception until 1st October 2012 and revoke the 2002 Regulations.

These Regulations also make a minor amendment to clarify the scope of the temporary exception.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.