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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 1276**

**The Accreditation of Forensic  
Service Providers Regulations 2018**

**Interpretation**

**2.** In these Regulations—

“competent law enforcement authorities” means those bodies responsible for the prevention, detection or investigation of criminal offences as specified in the Schedule to these Regulations;

“dactyloscopic data” has the same meaning as in the Framework Decision;

“DNA-profile” has the same meaning as in the Framework Decision;

“forensic service provider” means any person that carries out laboratory activities at the request of competent law enforcement authorities;

“Framework Decision” means Council Framework Decision 2009/905/JHA of 30th November 2009 on accreditation of forensic service providers carrying out laboratory activities<sup>(1)</sup>;

“laboratory activity” has the same meaning as in the Framework Decision;

“UKAS” means the United Kingdom Accreditation Service, a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales under number 03076190.

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 322, 9.12.2009, p. 14–16.