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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Assembly Learning Grants (European Institutions) (Wales) Regulations 2008 (“the Principal Regulations”).

The Principal Regulations provide for support for eligible students taking designated higher education courses at the Bologna Center, the College of Europe or the European University Institute in respect of an academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2008.

The Principal Regulations provide that a grant for fees is available for one eligible student at the Bologna Center. A grant for fees, grants for living and other costs, a disabled students' allowance and a grant for dependants are available for up to two eligible students at the College of Europe. Grants for living and other costs, a disabled students' allowance and a grant for dependants are available for one eligible student at the European University Institute.

These Regulations amend the Principal Regulations in order that they apply in respect of an academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2009.

Regulations 5 and 6 amend the deadlines for applications for support and the receipt of financial information in relation to an academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2009.

Regulations 7 and 8 and the Schedule to these Regulations increase the amounts of support payable to eligible students and related income thresholds for an academic year beginning on or after 1 September 2009.

In addition, regulations 9 and 10 correct a typographical error in the Welsh text of the Assembly Learning Grants (European Institutions) (Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2008.