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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Core Concepts

Section 1: Regulated lobbying and the schedule: communications which are not lobbying

Communications by political parties

29. Paragraph 18 of the schedule provides that a communication made by or on behalf of a party registered under Part 2 of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 is not lobbying. This exception ensures that political discourse within (or between) registered political parties does not trigger any requirement to register.