



Outer Space Act 1986

1986 CHAPTER 38

Other controls

9 Warrant authorising direct action.

- (1) If a justice of the peace is satisfied by information on oath that there are reasonable grounds for believing—
 - (a) that an activity is being carried on by a person to whom this Act applies in contravention of section 3 (licensing requirement) or in contravention of the conditions of a licence, and
 - (b) that a direction under section 8 has not been complied with, or a refusal to comply with such a direction is apprehended, or the case is one of urgency,he may issue a warrant authorising a named person acting on behalf of the Secretary of State to do anything necessary to secure compliance with the international obligations of the United Kingdom or with the conditions of the licence.
- (2) The warrant shall specify the action so authorised.
- (3) The warrant may authorise entry onto specified premises at any reasonable hour and on production, if so required, of the warrant.
- (4) The powers conferred by the warrant include power to use reasonable force, if necessary, and may be exercised by the named person together with other persons.
- (5) A warrant remains in force for a period of one month from the date of its issue.
- (6) In Scotland the reference in subsection (1) to a justice of the peace shall be construed as a reference to a justice of the peace or a sheriff and the reference to information shall be construed as a reference to evidence.

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Outer Space Act 1986, Section 9.