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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1622**

**The European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 and European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 (Commencement, Transitional and Savings Provisions) Regulations 2020**

**PART 3**

Transitional and saving provisions

**Interpretation Act 1978**

7.—(1) The repeal by paragraph 22(a) of Schedule 8 to EU(W)A 2018 of the definitions of “the Treaties” and “the EU Treaties” (as defined by section 1(2) of ECA 1972(1)) in Schedule 1 to IA 1978, and the insertion by paragraph 22(e) of Schedule 8 to EU(W)A 2018 of definitions of those expressions in Schedule 1 to IA 1978, do not affect the interpretation of those expressions in pre-IPCD legislation on and after IP completion day in relation to a time before IP completion day.

(2) In its application to an Act passed, or subordinate legislation made, before 19th June 2008, the definition of “the Communities” in Schedule 1 to IA 1978, as inserted by paragraph 22(e) of Schedule 8 to EU(W)A 2018, has effect on and after IP completion day, in its application in relation to a time before 19th June 2008, as if the words from “but” to the end were omitted.

(3) In this regulation—

“pre-IPCD legislation” means an Act passed, or subordinate legislation made, before IP completion day;

“subordinate legislation” has the same meaning as in IA 1978.

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(1) The definition of “Treaties” and “the EU Treaties” in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c. 68) was amended by the European Communities (Greek Accession) Act 1979 (c. 57), section 1; the European Communities (Spanish and Portuguese Accession) Act 1985 (c. 75), section 1; the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1986 (c. 58), section 1; the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1993 (c. 32), section 1; the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1993 (c. 41), section 3; the European Economic Area Act 1993 (c. 51), section 1; the European Union (Accessions) Act 1994 (c. 38), section 1; the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1998 (c. 21), section 1; the European Communities (Finance) Act 2001 (c. 22), section 1; the European Communities (Amendment) Act 2002 (c. 3), section 1; the European Union (Accessions) Act 2003 (c. 35), section 1; the European Union (Accessions) Act 2006 (c. 2), section 1; the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c. 7), paragraph 1, the Schedule; the European Union Act 2011 (c. 12), section 15; the European Union (Croatian Accession and Irish Protocol) Act 2013 (c. 5), section 3; the European Union (Finance) Act 2015 (c. 32), section 1; S.I. 2011/1043.