EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 8(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (c.16) in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies (in particular under paragraphs (c), (d) and (g) of section 8(2)) arising from the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union. These Regulations make amendments to legislation in the field of copyright and related rights and, in particular, amend the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988, subordinate legislation and retained direct EU legislation. These Regulations also revoke the Portability of Online Content Services Regulations 2018 and Regulation (EU) No 2017/1128 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14th June 2017 on cross-border portability of online content services in the internal market.

A full impact assessment of the effect of this instrument will have on the costs of business, the voluntary sector and the public sector is available from the Intellectual Property Office, Concept House, Cardiff Road, Newport NP20 8QQ and is available with the explanatory memorandum alongside this instrument on the Legislation UK website www.legislation.gov.uk. Copies have also been placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament.