This draft Statutory Instrument supersedes the draft of the same title which was laid before Parliament on 6th March 2023 and published on 6th March 2023 (ISBN 978-0-348-24562-2). It is being issued free of charge to all known recipients of that draft Statutory Instrument.

Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under article 4(5) of the Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by article 3(1) of the Flags (Northern Ireland) Order 2000 ("the 2000 Order")(1).

In accordance with article 4(1) of the 2000 Order, on 17th February 2023 the Secretary of State referred a draft of the proposed Regulations to the Northern Ireland Assembly ("the Assembly").

In respect of article 4(2), (3) and (6) of the 2000 Order, within the period specified by the Secretary of State, the Assembly has not reported to the Secretary of State any views expressed in the Assembly on the proposed Regulations.

In accordance with article 4(4) of the 2000 Order, the Secretary of State has, in exercising the powers under article 3 of that Order, had regard to the Belfast Agreement(2).

In accordance with article 4(5) of the 2000 Order, a draft of these Regulations was laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament.

(**2**) Cm 3883.

⁽¹⁾ S.I. 2000/1347 (N.I. 3); article 3(1) was amended by section 67(1) of the Justice (Northern Ireland) Act 2002 (c. 26).