



Financial Services and Markets Act 2000

2000 CHAPTER 8

PART XXIX

INTERPRETATION

VALID FROM 06/04/2008

^{F1} [**Meaning of “participating interest”**

^{F1} 421A

- (1) In section 421 a “participating interest” means an interest held by an undertaking in the shares of another undertaking which it holds on a long-term basis for the purpose of securing a contribution to its activities by the exercise of control or influence arising from or related to that interest.
- (2) A holding of 20% or more of the shares of an undertaking is presumed to be a participating interest unless the contrary is shown.
- (3) The reference in subsection (1) to an interest in shares includes—
 - (a) an interest which is convertible into an interest in shares, and
 - (b) an option to acquire shares or any such interest;and an interest or option falls within paragraph (a) or (b) notwithstanding that the shares to which it relates are, until the conversion or the exercise of the option, unissued.
- (4) For the purposes of this section an interest held on behalf of an undertaking shall be treated as held by it.
- (5) In this section “undertaking” has the same meaning as in the Companies Acts (see section 1161(1) of the Companies Act 2006).]]

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Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 421A inserted (6.4.2008) by [The Companies Act 2006 \(Consequential Amendments etc\) Order 2008 \(S.I. 2008/948\)](#), arts. 2(2), 3(1), **Sch. 1 para. 212(3)** (with arts. 6, 11, 12)

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