

These notes refer to the Anti-terrorism, Crime and Security Act 2001 (c.24) which received Royal Assent on 14th December 2001

ANTI-TERRORISM, CRIME AND SECURITY ACT 2001

EXPLANATORY NOTES

SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND

3. The purpose of this Act is to build on legislation in a number of areas to ensure that the Government, in the light of the new situation arising from the September 11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, have the necessary powers to counter the threat to the UK. The measures are intended to:
 - Cut off terrorist funding
 - Ensure that government departments and agencies can collect and share information required for countering the terrorist threat
 - Streamline relevant immigration procedures
 - Ensure the security of the nuclear and aviation industries
 - Improve the security of dangerous substances that may be targeted or used by terrorists
 - Extend police powers available to relevant forces
 - Ensure that we can meet our European obligations in the area of police and judicial co-operation and our international obligations to counter bribery and corruption
 - Update parts of the UK's anti-terrorist powers