

*These notes refer to the European Parliament (Representation)
Act 2003 (c.7) which received Royal Assent on 8 May 2003*

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT (REPRESENTATION) ACT 2003

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 2: Gibraltar

Section 17: Regulations supplementing sections 14 to 16

35. This section provides for the detail required to give full effect to sections 14 to 16 to be made in regulations. For example, *subsection (1)(e)* enables detailed provision to be made concerning residence. Regulations under *subsection (1)(h)* will enable individuals to register before they are 18 in order to vote once they are 18, as is the case under the relevant UK registers. In the UK certain individuals are disqualified for registration, such as those convicted of corrupt or illegal election practices, and the Lord Chancellor, under *subsection (1)(g)*, will be able to make similar provision for the Gibraltar register. *Subsection (3)* identifies certain particular provisions which are likely to be applied with modifications. For instance, in the UK convicted persons in UK penal institutions are not entitled to vote and the Lord Chancellor may apply a similar provision to Gibraltarian convicted persons detained in penal institutions in that country.