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EXPLANATORY NOTES

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Commentary on Sections

Chapter 2: SOCA: Special powers of designated staff

Section 45: Modification or withdrawal of designations

140. This section provides for the modification or withdrawal of a designation given under section 43. The Director General may use this power at any time by notifying the designated person. An employee who has been delegated the power to designate under section 44 may only use this power to modify or withdraw the type of designation they have been authorised to give. For example, a person to whom the power to confer customs officer powers was delegated may not withdraw a designation relating to the powers of a constable. Provided he has the power to act in respect of a particular type of designation, however, a member of staff of SOCA may modify or withdraw a designation even if he did not issue it.