

*These notes refer to the Terrorism Act 2006 (c.11)
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TERRORISM ACT 2006

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY

Definitions

Section 2 – Dissemination of terrorist publications

Subsection (6)

34. **Subsection (6)** sets out that references to an effect of a person's conduct in relation to a terrorist publication includes references to an effect of the publication on one or more of the persons to whom it is or may become available as a consequence of that conduct. This means that the effect of a person holding a publication intending to disseminate it (for example, by offering it for sale) will include the effect on the audience to whom it is intended it will be made available by a later act of dissemination (i.e. the sale itself). This is intended to cover the fact that if a person only, for example, holds a publication with the intention of disseminating it, the effect of that conduct is not to encourage terrorism or to be useful to terrorists, because only once the publication is disseminated can it have one of those effects.