



Nationality and Borders Act 2022

2022 CHAPTER 36

PART 5

MODERN SLAVERY

69 Part 5: interpretation

(1) In this Part—

“competent authority” means a person who is a competent authority of the United Kingdom for the purposes of the Trafficking Convention;

“conclusive grounds decision” means a decision by a competent authority as to whether a person is a victim of slavery or human trafficking;

“positive reasonable grounds decision” has the meaning given by section 61(1);

“reasonable grounds decision” means a decision by a competent authority as to whether there are reasonable grounds to believe that a person is a victim of slavery or human trafficking;

the “Trafficking Convention” means the Council of Europe Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (done at Warsaw on 16 May 2005);

“victim of slavery” and “victim of human trafficking” have the meanings given in regulations made by the Secretary of State.

(2) Regulations under subsection (1) are subject to affirmative resolution procedure.

Commencement Information

I1 S. 69 in force at Royal Assent for specified purposes, see [s. 87\(4\)\(h\)](#)

I2 [S. 69](#) in force at 30.1.2023 in so far as not already in force by [S.I. 2023/33](#), [reg. 3\(h\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

Nationality and Borders Act 2022, Section 69 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 17 August 2023. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 54(6)(c) and word inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 57\(11\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 63(2A) inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 29\(3\)](#)
- s. 63(3)(fa)(fb) inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 29\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 63(5A)(5B) inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 29\(5\)](#)
- s. 63(8) inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 28\(9\)](#)
- s. 65(8A) inserted by [2023 c. 37 s. 28\(12\)](#)