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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 18

MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

Official Secrets Act 1989 (c. 6)

- 6 (1) The Official Secrets Act 1989 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 5(6) (offence of disclosing information obtained by espionage) for “section 1 of the Official Secrets Act 1911” substitute “any of sections 1 to 4 of the National Security Act 2023”.
- (3) In section 11 (arrest, search and trial)—
- (a) for subsections (3) and (3A) substitute—
- “(3) Schedule 2 to the National Security Act 2023 (powers of entry, search and seizure) applies in relation to a relevant offence as it applies in relation to a relevant act (within the meaning given by paragraphs 1 and 18 of that Schedule).”;
- (b) for subsection (4) substitute—
- “(4) If it is necessary in the interests of national security, a court may exclude the public from any part of proceedings for a relevant offence, except the passing of sentence.”;
- (c) after subsection (4) insert—
- “(4A) In this section a “relevant offence” means an offence under any provision of this Act other than section 8(1), (4) or (5).”

Commencement Information

- I1** Sch. 18 para. 6 not in force at Royal Assent, see 100(1)
- I2** Sch. 18 para. 6 in force at 20.12.2023 by S.I. 2023/1272, reg. 2(f)

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