Explosive Substances Act 1883

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[F3] Attempt to cause explosion, or making or keeping explosive with intent to endanger life or property.

(1) A person who in the United Kingdom or a dependency or (being a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies) elsewhere unlawfully and maliciously—

(a) does any act with intent to cause, or conspires to cause, by an explosive substance an explosion of a nature likely to endanger life, or cause serious injury to property, whether in the United Kingdom or [F2 elsewhere], or

(b) makes or has in his possession or under his control an explosive substance with intent to cause thereof to endanger life, or cause serious injury to property, whether in the United Kingdom or [F2 elsewhere], or to enable any other person so to do,

shall, whether any explosion does or does not take place, and whether any injury to person or property is actually caused or not, be guilty of an offence and on conviction on indictment shall be liable to imprisonment for [F3 life], and the explosive substance shall be forfeited.

(2) In this section “ dependency ” means the Channel Islands, the Isle of Man and any colony, other than a colony for whose external relations a country other than the United Kingdom is responsible.

Annotations:

Amendments (Textual)
F1 S. 3 substituted by Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975 (c. 59), ss. 7(1)(3), 13(3)
F2 Word in s. 3(1)(a)(b) substituted (13.4.2006) by Terrorism Act 2006 (c. 11), ss. 17(5), 39(2) (with s. 17(6)); S.I. 2006/1013, art. 2(2)(a); S.I. 2006/1013, art. 2(2)(a)
F3 Word substituted by Criminal Law Act 1977 (c. 45), s. 33, Sch. 12 and S.I. 1977/1249 (N.I. 16), art. 5(2)

Modifications etc. (not altering text)
C1 S. 3 extended (N.I.) with modifications by Criminal Jurisdiction Act 1975 (c. 59), s. 1, Sch. 1 Pt. I para. 8, Pt. II para. 12(1)(3)
Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Explosive Substances Act 1883, Section 3. (See end of Document for details)

C2  S. 3 extended (prosp.) by 2000 c. 11, s. 62(2)(a), 128
s. 3 modified (prosp.) by 2000 c. 11, ss. 77(3), 128 (with s. 113(1))
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