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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 427

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

The European Communities (Designation) Order 1975

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>18th March 1975</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>25th March 1975</i>
<i>Coming into Operation</i>		<i>16th April 1975</i>

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 18th day of March 1975

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Designation) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 16th April 1975.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889 shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Commencement Information

II Art. 1 in force at 16.4.1975, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

Designations of Ministers or departments

2.—(1) For the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 the Ministers or government departments specified in column 1 of the Schedule to this Order are hereby designated in relation to the matters respectively specified in column 2 of that Schedule.

(2) Where a Minister or government department is designated in relation to any item in column 2 of the said Schedule, then, for the purposes of the said section 2(2), that Minister or government department is also hereby designated in relation to anything supplemental or incidental to the matters specified in that item.

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(3) Where more than one Minister or government department is designated by this Order in relation to any matter, the designation has effect as respects the making of regulations by any of them, or by more than one of them acting jointly.

(4) Regulations made by a Northern Ireland department or the Head of such a department in pursuance of this Order shall form part of the law of Northern Ireland, and not of any other part of the United Kingdom.

Commencement Information

I2 Art. 2 in force at 16.4.1975, see [art. 1\(1\)](#)

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SCHEDULE

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I3 Sch. in force at 16.4.1975, see **art. 1(1)**

Column 1	Column 2
Ministers or departments	Matters in relation to which the Ministers or departments are designated
The Secretary of State	Authorisation to carry on insurance business in particular classes of insurance other than life assurance.
The Secretary of State	Transfer of insurance contracts other than contracts of life assurance from one insurance undertaking to another.
The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State	Regulation of the type, description, construction or equipment of agricultural or forestry tractors and of their components, and in particular any type approval scheme for such tractors.
The Secretary of State	The regulation of specifications, construction, placing on the market and use of articles, instruments, containers or other equipment intended for weighing, measuring or testing or for purposes ancillary thereto, including, in particular— (a) approval of patterns and the verification of conformity with patterns or other requirements; (b) authentication and proof of such approval or verification or of exemption from the need for approval or verification; (c) supervision and enforcement of compliance with requirements.
The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State	Measurements of cereals for import and export purposes.
Any Northern Ireland department or the Head of any such department	All the preceding items in this column.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Order designates Ministers who may exercise powers to make regulations conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 and specifies the matters in relation to which those powers may be exercised.

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