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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 2964**

**ANIMALS**

**ANIMAL HEALTH**

**The Specified Risk Material Order 1997**

*Made - - - - 16th December 1997*

*Laid before Parliament 16th December 1997*

*Coming into force - - 1st January 1998*

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 1, 10(1) (a) and (c) and (2), 11, 29(2)(b), 35(1), 76(3) and 83(2) of, and paragraphs 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Schedule 2 to the Animal Health Act 1981(1), as applied by the Zoonoses Order 1988(2), hereby make the following Order:

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(1) 1981 c. 22. See section 86(1) for a definition of “the Ministers” and “the Minister”.

(2) S.I.1988/2264, by virtue of which bovine spongiform encephalopathy has been designated as a disease of animals which constitutes a risk within section 29 of the Animal Health Act 1981.