
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 425

**The Crime (International Co-operation) Act
2003 (Exercise of Functions) Order 2005**

PART 1

GENERAL

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Crime (International Co-operation) Act 2003 (Exercise of Functions) Order 2005 and shall come into force on 23rd March 2005.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales and Northern Ireland.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this Order—

“the Act” means the Crime (International Co-operation) Act 2003;

“assigned matter” means any matter in relation to which the Commissioners are for the time being required in pursuance of any enactment to perform any duties;

“the Commissioners” means the Commissioners of Customs and Excise;

“customs officer” includes a person acting under the direction of such an officer;

“relevant offence” means conduct constituting an offence under the law of a country outside the United Kingdom which, if it occurred in England and Wales or Northern Ireland, would be an offence contrary to an enactment relating to an assigned matter;

“request for assistance” means a request for assistance in obtaining evidence in England and Wales or Northern Ireland.

(2) Any reference to a section or subsection in articles 3 to 12 is a reference to a section or subsection of the Act.