## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

The provisions of the Serious Organised Crime and Police Act 2005 which are listed in article 2(1) are brought into force on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2006 for the purposes set out in that provision and subject to transitional provisions. The provisions listed in article 3 are also brought into force on that date, subject to transitional provisions. The provisions listed in the Schedule to this Order and article 5 are brought into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006, subject to the transitional provisions in that article and article 4. The provisions referred to in article 6 also come into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 except so far as they extend to Scotland. The provisions listed in article 7 are brought into force on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2006 in England and Wales only.