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**2007 No. 2490 (C. 93)**

**CRIMINAL LAW, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The Racial and Religious Hatred Act  
2006 (Commencement No.1) Order 2007**

Made - - - - 24th August 2007

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3(2) of the Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006<sup>(1)</sup>.

**Citation and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006 (Commencement No.1) Order 2007.

(2) In this Order “the 2006 Act” means the Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006.

**Commencement**

2.—(1) Apart from the provisions mentioned in paragraph (2), the 2006 Act comes into force on 1st October 2007.

(2) Those provisions are section 1 of, and the Schedule to, the 2006 Act, so far as they insert into the Public Order Act 1986<sup>(2)</sup> the following provisions—

- (a) section 29B(3) (power to arrest person suspected of offence under that section);
- (b) section 29H(2) (power of courts in Scotland to authorise entry and search); and
- (c) section 29I(2)(b) and (4) (power of courts in Scotland to order forfeiture).

Home Office  
24th August 2007

*Tony McNulty*  
Minister of State

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<sup>(1)</sup> 2006 c. 1. The power in section 3(2) of the 2006 Act is supplemented by section 3(3) of that Act.

<sup>(2)</sup> 1986 c. 64. Section 1 of, and the Schedule to, the 2006 Act insert a new Part 3A (consisting of sections 29A to 29N) into the 1986 Act which makes provision about offences involving stirring up hatred against persons on religious grounds.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force the Racial and Religious Hatred Act 2006 on 1st October 2007 except in so far as it inserts new sections 29B(3), 29H(2) and 29I(2)(b) and (4) into the Public Order Act 1986.