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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”) apply to public authorities. For the purposes of the Act, a “public authority” means a body or office which is listed in Schedule 1 to the Act or designated by an order under section 5 of the Act, or a publicly-owned company as defined by section 6 of the Act. The list in Schedule 1 to the Act may be added to by an order under section 4(1) of the Act, provided that the conditions specified in section 4(2) and (3) are satisfied.

Article 2 of this Order adds the bodies listed in the Schedule to this Order to Part VI of Schedule 1 to the Act (Other Public Bodies and Offices: General).

The bodies added to Schedule 1 to the Act by this Order meet the conditions specified in section 4(2) and (3) of the Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.