

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Armed Forces and Reserve Forces (Compensation Scheme) Order 2005 (“the Scheme”) which provides for benefits to be payable to or in respect of a person by reason of illness or injury (whether physical or mental), or death, which is caused (wholly or partly) by service in the armed forces.

The purpose of this Order is to make an amendment to the Tariff. This lists the various forms of injury or disease for which compensation is available under the Scheme. Where there is no appropriate descriptor in the Tariff the Secretary of State may make a temporary award under article 20 of the Scheme. The amendment made by article 2 is as a consequence of the making of a temporary award. It inserts a new descriptor and provides that the amendment shall not apply to a claim made before the coming into force of this Order, unless the descriptor is used where a temporary award is made.