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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2013 No. 1542**

The Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984  
(Application to immigration officers and designated  
customs officials in England and Wales) Order 2013

PART 3

INVESTIGATIONS CONDUCTED, AND PERSONS  
DETAINED, BY DESIGNATED CUSTOMS OFFICIALS

**Modification of section 54 of the Act (searches of detained persons)**

**29.** Section 54 of the Act<sup>(1)</sup>, as applied by article 12, has effect as if for subsection (6A) there was substituted—

“(6A) A person who is in custody at a customs office or is otherwise in customs detention may at any time be searched in order to ascertain whether he has anything with him which he could use for any of the purposes specified in subsection (4)(a) above.”.

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<sup>(1)</sup> Section 54 of the Act was amended by the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (c.33), section 147; the Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 (c.33), section 168(2), Schedule 10, paragraph 55; the Criminal Justice Act 2003 (c.44), section 147; and the Police and Justice Act 2006 (c.48), section 46(1), (6).