

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order commences on 6th April 2013 the provisions of the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012 mentioned in article 2. These provisions amend human trafficking offences in England and Wales as part of the implementation of Directive 2011/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 5 April 2011 on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims, and replacing Council Framework Decision 2002/629/JHA.

Articles 3 to 8 make the necessary saving and transitional provision in connection with the coming into force of those provisions.