STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2016 No. 1187

PREVENTION AND SUPPRESSION OF TERRORISM

The Proscribed Organisations (Name Change) Order 2016

Made----6th December 2016Laid before Parliament8th December 2016Coming into force-9th December 2016

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the power conferred by section 3(6) of the Terrorism Act 2000(**a**).

In accordance with section 3(6)(a) of that Act, the Secretary of State believes that the organisation referred to in article 2 of this Order, being an organisation in Schedule 2 to that Act, is operating wholly or partly under a name that is not specified in that Schedule (whether as well as or instead of under the specified name).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Proscribed Organisations (Name Change) Order 2016 and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is laid before Parliament.

Name change

2. Jabhat Fatah al-Sham, being a name that is not specified in Schedule 2 to the Terrorism Act 2000, is to be treated as another name for the organisation listed in that Schedule as Al-Qa'ida(**b**).

Home Office 6th December 2016

Ben Wallace Minister of State

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

Part 2 of the Terrorism Act 2000 (c.11) makes provision about proscribed organisations (including setting out offences in relation to such organisations in sections 11 to 13). An organisation is proscribed if it is listed in Schedule 2 to that Act or if it operates under the same name as an organisation so listed (section 3(1)).

⁽a) 2000 c. 11; section 3(6) was inserted by section 22(2) of the Terrorism Act 2006 (c. 11).

⁽b) Al-Qa'ida was added to Schedule 2 to the Terrorism Act 2000 by article 2 of S.I. 2001/1261. Article 2 of S.I. 2013/1795 specifies that "al-Nusrah Front" and "Jabhat al-Nusrah li-ahl al Sham" are to be treated as other names for Al-Qa'ida.

Section 3(6) of the Terrorism Act 2000 (as inserted by section 22(2) of the Terrorism Act 2006 (c.11)) enables the Secretary of State, by order, to provide that a name that is not specified in Schedule 2 to that Act is to be treated as another name for an organisation that is listed in that Schedule. Article 2 of the Proscribed Organisations (Name Changes) Order 2013 (2013/1795) specifies that "al-Nusrah Front" and "Jabhat al-Nusrah li-ahl al Sham" are to be treated as other names for Al-Qa-ida, which is listed in that Schedule. Article 2 of this Order specifies "Jabhat Fatah al-Sham" as another name for the organisation operating under the names Al-Qa'ida, al-Nusrah Front and Jabhat al-Nusrah li-ahl al Sham.

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

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