STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 2016 No. 740 (C. 54)

## **MODERN SLAVERY**

The Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2016

Made - - - - 11th July 2016

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 61(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015(1), makes the following Regulations.

In accordance with section 61(4) of that Act, the Secretary of State has consulted the Scottish Ministers, so far as the provisions brought into force by these Regulations extend to Scotland, and the Department of Justice in Northern Ireland, so far as the provisions brought into force by these Regulations extend to Northern Ireland.

## Citation

**1.** These Regulations may be cited as the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (Commencement No. 5) Regulations 2016.

#### Provisions coming into force on 8th August 2016

**2.** The following provisions of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 come into force on 8th August 2016—

- (a) section 35 (enforcement powers in relation to ships: England and Wales);
- (b) section 36 (enforcement powers in relation to ships: Scotland);
- (c) section 37 (enforcement powers in relation to ships: Northern Ireland);
- (d) section 39 (interpretation of Part 3); and
- (e) Schedule 2 (enforcement powers in relation to ships), insofar as it relates to powers exercisable under sections 35, 36 and 37.

Karen Bradley Parliamentary Under Secretary of State Home Office

11th July 2016

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations are the fifth commencement regulations made under the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (c. 30).

Regulation 2 brings into force certain provisions of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 relating to maritime enforcement powers. These provisions provide additional powers to law enforcement officers in England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland to tackle suspected human trafficking or slavery at sea.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT REGULATIONS

### (This note is not part of the Regulations)

The following provisions of the Act were brought into force by Statutory Instrument before these Regulations were made.

| Provision              | Date of Commencement | S.I. No.  |
|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| Parts 1 and 2          | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Part 4                 | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Sections 45 to 47      | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Section 49             | 15th October 2015    | 2015/1690 |
| Section 51             | 15th October 2015    | 2015/1690 |
| Section 52             | 1st November 2015    | 2015/1690 |
| Section 53             | 15th October 2015    | 2015/1690 |
| Section 54             | 29th October 2015    | 2015/1816 |
| Schedule 1             | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Schedules 3 and 4      | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Schedule 5 (partially) | 31st July 2015       | 2015/1476 |
| Schedule 5 (partially) | 17th March 2016      | 2016/243  |