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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The obligations under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (c. 36) (“the Act”) apply to public authorities. Section 3(1) provides that a “public authority” includes a body or holder of any office which is listed in Schedule 1 to the Act. Where such a body or office either ceases to exist or ceases to satisfy either of the conditions in section 4(2) and (3), an order may be made under section 4(5) omitting an entry relating to it from Schedule 1.

Article 2 of this Order removes references to the bodies listed in the Schedule to this Order from Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Act.

An Impact Assessment has not been prepared for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.