



Statutory Document No. 44/03

THE MAINTENANCE ORDERS (RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT) ACT 1995

**THE MAINTENANCE ORDERS (RECIPROCAL ENFORCEMENT) (HAGUE
CONVENTION COUNTRIES) ORDER 2003**

Coming into operation

20th January 2003

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Council of Ministers by section 1 of the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1995¹ as modified by Schedule 1 to that Act, and of all other enabling powers, the following Order is hereby made:—

1. Citation and commencement

This Order may be cited as the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) (Hague Convention Countries) Order 2003 and shall come into operation on the 20th January 2003.

2. Hague Convention countries

The countries and territories specified in the Schedule are the countries and territories (other than the United Kingdom and the Island) in which the Hague Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Decisions relating to Maintenance Obligations² is in force.

3. Revocation

The Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) (Hague Convention Countries) Order 2001³ is revoked.

¹ 1995 c.15

² 1973, Cmnd.7939

³ SD 623/01

Article 2.

SCHEDULE
HAGUE CONVENTION COUNTRIES

Australia
Czech Republic
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
France
Germany
Italy
Luxembourg
Netherlands (Kingdom in Europe and Netherlands Antilles)
Norway
Poland
Portugal
Slovakia
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland
Turkey

MADE 15th January 2003

Mary Williams

Chief Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order replaces the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) (Hague Convention Countries) Order 2001 (SD 623/01) and lists the countries (other than the United Kingdom and the Isle of Man) in which the Hague Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Decisions relating to Maintenance Obligations (1973, Cmnd.7939) is in force. Australia is added to the list.