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European Union and Trade Act 2019

EUROPEAN UNION AND TRADE ACT 2019 (DEFICIENCIES) (COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION) REGULATIONS 2019

Approved by Tynwald: 19 February 2019

Coming into Operation in accordance with regulation 2

The Council of Ministers makes the following Regulations under section 12 of the European Union and Trade Act 2019.

1 Title

These Regulations are the European Union and Trade Act 2019 (Deficiencies) (Communications Commission) Regulations 2019.

2 Commencement

If approved by Tynwald¹, these Regulations come into operation on exit day.

3 Interpretation

In these regulations “exit day” has the same meaning as in the European Union and Trade Act 2019.

4 Telecommunications Act 1984 amended

- (1) The Telecommunications Act 1984 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 39(2) (general restrictions on disclosure of information) —
 - (a) at the end of paragraph (c), insert **66** or **67**;
 - (b) at the end of paragraph (d), for “; or” substitute **66**, **67**; and
 - (c) omit paragraph (e).
- (3) In section 46(1) (interpretation), omit the definition of “EU obligation”.

¹ Tynwald approval is required under section 12(1) of the European Union and Trade Act 2019.

5 Broadcasting Act 1993 amended

- (1) The Broadcasting Act 1993 is amended as follows.
- (2) In Schedule 1, paragraph 1 (general disqualifications) –
 - (a) in subparagraph (a)(ii), after the words “Member State” insert **or the United Kingdom**; and
 - (b) in subparagraph (b)(i), after the words “of the Island” insert **, any part of the United Kingdom**.

6 Construction

To avoid doubt, any retained EU law is to be construed and have effect subject to these Regulations.

MADE 1ST FEBRUARY 2019

W GREENHOW
Chief Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Telecommunications Act 1984 and the Broadcasting Act 1993 to address deficiencies arising from the United Kingdom's withdrawal from the European Union.

The Telecommunications Act 1984 is amended at section 39(2) and 46(1) to remove references to 'EU obligation' that will no longer be relevant after the United Kingdom's withdrawal.

Schedule 1 of The Broadcasting Act 1993 is amended to ensure that the criteria for disqualification from holding a licence to provide a sound broadcasting service remain unchanged once the United Kingdom ceases to be a Member State of the European Union.