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THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT 1999

THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT 1999 (APPOINTED DAY) ORDER 2000

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Council of Ministers by section 9(2) and (3) of the Public Records Act 1999¹, and of all other enabling powers, the following Order is hereby made:—

1. Citation

This Order may be cited as the Public Records Act 1999 (Appointed Day) Order 2000.

2. Commencement of the Act

The Public Records Act 1999 shall come into operation on the 1st April 2000.

3. Public access to records

(1) The Chief Registrar may defer, for such period (not exceeding 7 years from the 1st April 2000) as she may determine, the time at which any records to which this article applies shall be available for public inspection.

(2) This article applies to public records —

- (a) which immediately before the 1st April 2000 are held in the Public Record Office,
- (b) from which the records which ought to be permanently preserved have not been selected,
- (c) to which the public did not immediately before the 1st April 2000, have access without the express authority of the person or body responsible for them, and of the descriptions specified in the Schedule, and
- (d) which apart from this article would be required by section 4 of the Public Records Act 1999 to be available for public inspection before the 1st January 2007.

¹ 1999 c.8
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DEPUTY Chief Secretary

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This Order brings the Public Records Act 1999 into operation on 1st April 2000 (article 2). It enables the Chief Registrar to defer public access to certain records for up to 7 years from that date (article 3).