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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 1362**

**EUROPEAN UNION**

**The European Communities (Designation) Order 2014**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>27th May 2014</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>3rd June 2014</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>26th June 2014</i>

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 27th day of May 2014

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(1), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

**Citation and interpretation**

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Designation) Order 2014 and comes into force on 26th June 2014.

(2) In this Order—

“designated” means designated for the purposes of section 2(2), and similar expressions are to be construed accordingly;

“section 2(2)” means section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

**Designation in relation to the re-use of public sector information**

2. The Secretary of State is designated in relation to the re-use of public sector information.

**Designation in relation to consumer credit**

3. The Treasury are designated in relation to consumer credit.

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(1) 1972 c.68; section 2(2) was amended by section 27(1)(a) of the Legislative and Regulatory Reform Act 2006 (c.51) and by the Schedule to the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008 (c.7).

### **Revocation of existing designations**

4.—(1) The Orders specified in column (1) of the Schedule to this Order are revoked in so far as they relate to the designation of the Minister or department listed in column (2) in relation to the matter specified in column (3).

(2) The European Communities (Designation) (No. 4) Order 2008(2) is revoked.

### **Relationship with other designations**

5.—(1) Except for article 4, this Order does not restrict the scope of any designation made by any other Order.

(2) Where—

- (a) a Minister or department is designated by this Order, and
- (b) any other Minister or department is designated in relation to the same matter by this or any other Order,

any of them may make subordinate legislation in relation to that matter jointly.

(3) In paragraph (2)—

“Minister or department” means a Minister of the Crown or government department (including a Northern Ireland department) or the Welsh Ministers; and

“subordinate legislation” means orders, rules, regulations or schemes made under section 2(2).

*Ceri King*  
Deputy Clerk of the Privy Council

## SCHEDULE

Article 4

## REVOCATION OF DESIGNATIONS

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>
<i>Order</i>	<i>Minister or Department designated</i>	<i>Matter in relation to which the Minister or Department is designated</i>
The Communities (Designation) Order 1992(3)	European (No. 4) The Treasury	Measures relating to the publication of information about developments in the sphere of activity of a company or undertaking, whose securities are admitted to trading on a market, which may affect the price of that company's undertaking's securities.
The Communities (Designation) Order 1998(4)	European (No. 3) The Treasury	Measures relating to payment systems.
The Communities (Designation) Order 2001(5)	European Order The Treasury	Measures relating to the taking up, pursuit and prudential supervision of the business of electronic money institutions.
The Communities (Designation) Order 2001(6)	European (No. 3) The Treasury	Credit and financial institutions and the taking of deposits or other repayable funds from the public.  The conduct of insurance business carried on by friendly societies, and the authorisation and regulation of the carrying on of such business by friendly societies.  The conduct of the business of a building society, and the authorisation and regulation of the carrying on of business by building societies.
The Communities (Designation) Order 2003(7)	European (No. 3) The Treasury	The provision of cash, securities and interests in securities as collateral.
The Communities (Designation) Order 2004(8)	European (No.7) The Minister for the Cabinet Office	The re-use of public sector information.

(3) [S.I. 1992/2870](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.(4) [S.I. 1998/2793](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.(5) [S.I. 2001/961](#).(6) [S.I. 2001/3495](#).(7) [S.I. 2003/1888](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.(8) [S.I. 2004/3328](#), to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made).

<i>(1)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>(3)</i>
<i>Order</i>	<i>Minister or Department designated</i>	<i>Matter in relation to which the Minister or Department is designated</i>
The European Communities (Designation) Order 2008 <sup>(9)</sup>	The Treasury	Payment services.
The European Communities (Designation) Order 2009 <sup>(10)</sup>	The Treasury	Credit ratings and credit rating agencies.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

In England, Wales and Northern Ireland, only “designated” Ministers and departments can exercise powers in section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972 (c.68) to make orders, rules, regulations and schemes. This is one of a series of Orders by which the Ministers and departments are designated for the purposes of section 2(2) in relation to different subject areas.

Article 2 designates the Secretary of State in respect of the re-use of public sector information.

Article 3 designates the Treasury in relation to consumer credit.

Article 4 revokes existing designations which were superseded by previous Orders or by this Order.

Article 5 provides that except for Article 4, a new designation does not restrict the scope of designations in other Orders and allows Ministers and departments designated in relation to the same matters to legislate jointly as well as individually.

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

<sup>(9)</sup> S.I. 2008/1792.

<sup>(10)</sup> S.I. 2009/3214.