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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2016 No. 67**

**The Andrey Lugovoy and Dmitri Kovtun Freezing Order 2016**

**Offences: procedure**

**10.**—(1) Proceedings for an offence under this Order are not to be instituted in England and Wales except by or with the consent of the Treasury or the Director of Public Prosecutions.

(2) Proceedings for an offence under this Order are not to be instituted in Northern Ireland except by or with the consent of the Treasury or the Director of Public Prosecutions for Northern Ireland.

(3) Despite anything in section 127(1) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980<sup>(1)</sup> (information to be laid within 6 months of offence) an information relating to an offence under this Order which is triable by a magistrates' court in England and Wales may be so tried if it is laid at any time in the period of one year starting with the date of the commission of the offence.

(4) In Scotland summary proceedings for an offence under this Order may be commenced at any time in the period of one year starting with the date of the commission of the offence.

(5) In its application to an offence under this Order Article 19(1)(a) of the Magistrates' Courts (Northern Ireland) Order 1981<sup>(2)</sup> (time limit within which complaint charging offence must be made) is to have effect as if the reference to six months were a reference to twelve months.

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(1) 1980 c.43.

(2) S.I. 1980/1675 (N.I. 26).