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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2022 No. 725**

**The Register of Overseas Entities (Verification  
and Provision of Information) Regulations 2022**

**PART 2**

Verification

**Verification: individuals**

7.—(1) This regulation applies where a relevant person seeks to verify relevant information relating to an individual.

(2) A relevant person must not be—

- (a) a family member of the individual;
- (b) a known close associate of the individual;
- (c) the same individual as the information relates to.

(3) An individual's family members include—

- (a) their spouse or civil partner;
- (b) any other person (whether of a different sex or the same sex) with whom the individual lives as partner in an enduring family relationship;
- (c) their grandparent or grandchild, sister, brother, aunt or uncle, or nephew or niece;
- (d) their children or step-children;
- (e) the spouses or civil partners of those children or step-children;
- (f) any other person (whether of a different sex or the same sex) with whom any of those children or step-children lives as partner in an enduring family relationship;
- (g) the children or step-children of a person within paragraph (b) (and who are not children or step-children of the individual) who live with the individual and have not attained the age of 18;
- (h) their parents.

(4) A known close associate of an individual means—

- (a) an individual known to have joint beneficial ownership of a legal entity or a legal arrangement or any other close business relations with the individual;
- (b) an individual who has sole beneficial ownership of a legal entity or a legal arrangement which is known to have been set up for the benefit of the individual.