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Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35 of 10 October 2014 supplementing Directive 2009/138/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the taking-up and pursuit of the business of Insurance and Reinsurance (Solvency II) (Text with EEA relevance)

## TITLE III

## THIRD COUNTRY EEQUIVALENCE AND FINAL PROVISIONS

#### CHAPTER I

# UNDERTAKINGS CARRYING OUT REINSURANCE ACTIVITIES WITH THEIR HEAD OFFICE IN A THIRD COUNTRY

# *I<sup>F1</sup>Article 377A*

## References to United Kingdom law

In this Title, references to United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive, or any provisions in that Directive, are to the law of the United Kingdom which was relied on by the United Kingdom immediately before IP completion day to implement Directive 2009/138/EU and its implementing provisions, as such law applies on the day on which regulations are made by the Treasury under this Title.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

F1 Art. 377A inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), **11(90A)** (as amended by S.I. 2019/1212, regs. 1(3), 18(2) (b) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1301, regs. 1, 3, Sch. para. 45(c)(ii)); S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2); and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11); 2020 c. 1, Sch. 5 para. 1(1)

## Article 378

## Criteria for assessing third country equivalence

The criteria to be taken into account in order to assess whether the solvency regime of a third country that applies to reinsurance activities of undertakings with their head office in that third country is equivalent to that laid down in [F2 the United Kingdom law which implemented] Title I of Directive 2009/138/EC shall be the following:

- (a) whether the supervisory authorities of that third country have the power, by law or regulation, to effectively supervise domestic insurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities or reinsurance undertakings and impose sanctions or take enforcement action where necessary;
- (b) whether the supervisory authorities of that third country have the necessary means, the relevant expertise, capacities including financial and human resources, and mandate

- to effectively protect policy holders and beneficiaries regardless of their nationality or place of residence;
- (c) whether the supervisory authorities of that third country, in the exercise of their general duties, duly consider the potential impact of their decisions on the stability of financial systems globally, particularly during emergency situations, on the basis of the information available at that time;
- (d) whether the supervisory authorities of that third country take into account the potential pro-cyclical effects of their actions where exceptional movements in the financial markets occur;
- (e) whether the taking-up of the business of reinsurance in that third country is subject to prior authorisation conditional on a clear, objective and publicly available set of written standards:
- (f) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities to have an effective system of governance in place which provides for sound and prudent management of the business and prescribes all of the following:
  - (i) the existence of an adequate, transparent organisational structure with a clear allocation and appropriate segregation of responsibilities,
  - requirements for ensuring that persons who effectively run the undertaking are fit and proper, which are equivalent to Article 42 of Directive 2009/138/ EC,
  - (iii) the existence of effective processes to ensure the timely transmission of information both within the undertaking and to the relevant supervisory authorities:
  - (iv) requirements for ensuring that the outsourced functions or activities are effectively supervised;
- (g) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities to have an effective risk-management system in place comprising all of the following:
  - (i) strategies, processes and internal reporting procedures necessary to identify, measure, monitor, manage and report risks, to which the undertaking is or could be exposed, at an individual and an aggregated level and on a continuous basis, and their interdependencies;
  - (ii) an effective internal control system;
- (h) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities to establish and maintain effective risk-management, compliance, internal audit and actuarial functions;
- (i) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities to:
  - (i) provide third country supervisory authorities with any information necessary for the purposes of supervision;

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- (ii) disclose publicly, on at least an annual basis, a report on their solvency and financial condition equivalent to that specified in Article 51 of Directive 2009/138/EC;
- (j) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires that proposed changes to the business policy or management of domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities, or to qualifying holdings in such undertakings, are consistent with maintaining a sound and prudent management of those undertakings;
- (k) whether the assessment of the financial position of domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities relies on sound economic principles and whether solvency requirements are based on an economic valuation of all assets and liabilities;
- (l) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings carrying out reinsurance activities to hold adequate financial resources including all of the following requirements:
  - (i) a requirement that those undertakings establish technical provisions with respect to all of their reinsurance obligations towards policy holders and beneficiaries of reinsurance contracts,
  - (ii) a requirement that assets held to cover technical provisions are invested in the best interests of all policy holders and beneficiaries taking into account any disclosed policy objective,
  - (iii) a requirement that those undertakings only invest in assets and instruments whose risks the undertaking concerned can properly identify, measure, monitor, manage, control and report,
  - (iv) a requirement that those undertakings meet capital requirements set at a level equivalent to that referred to in Article 101(3) of Directive 2009/138/ EC which ensures that in the event of significant losses policy holders and beneficiaries are adequately protected and continue to receive payments as they become due,
  - (v) a requirement that those undertakings maintain a minimum level of capital, non-compliance with which triggers immediate and ultimate supervisory intervention,
  - (vi) a requirement that those undertakings meet the capital requirements referred to in points (iv) and (v) with own funds that are of a sufficient quality and which are able to absorb significant losses, and that own-fund items considered by the supervisory authorities to be of a high quality shall absorb losses both in a going concern and in case of a winding up;
- (m) whether the capital requirements of the solvency regime of that third country are risk-based with the objective of capturing quantifiable risks and that where a significant risk is not quantifiable and cannot be captured in the capital requirements, then that risk is addressed through another supervisory mechanism;
- (n) whether the solvency regime of that third country ensures timely intervention by supervisory authorities of the third country in the event that the capital requirement referred to in point (l)(iv) is not complied with;

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- (o) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country, as well as auditors and experts acting on behalf of those authorities, are bound by obligations of professional secrecy and whether such obligations of professional secrecy extend to information received from all supervisory authorities;
- (p) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that, without prejudice to cases covered by criminal law, any confidential information received by all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country is not divulged to any person or authority whatsoever, except in summary or aggregate form, such that individual insurance and reinsurance undertakings cannot be identified;
- (q) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that, where an insurance or reinsurance undertaking has been declared bankrupt or is being compulsorily wound up, confidential information which does not concern third parties involved in attempts to rescue that undertaking may be divulged in civil or commercial proceedings;
- (r) whether third country supervisory authorities which receive confidential information from supervisory authorities only use that information in the course of their duties and for any of the following purposes:
  - (i) to check that the conditions governing the taking-up of business of reinsurance, system of governance and public disclosure and solvency assessment have been met,
  - (ii) to impose sanctions,
  - (iii) in administrative appeals against decisions of the supervisory authorities,
  - (iv) in court proceedings relating to the solvency regime in that third country;
- (s) whether third country supervisory authorities are permitted to exchange information received from supervisory authorities, in the discharge of their supervisory functions or the detection and investigation of breaches of company law, with other authorities, bodies or persons where that authority, body or person is subject to the obligation of professional secrecy in the relevant third country and whether that information is only disclosed once the express agreement of the supervisory authority from which it originates has been obtained and, where appropriate, has been obtained solely for the purposes for which the authority gave its agreement.

# **Textual Amendments**

F2 Words in Art. 378 inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(91) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

# J<sup>F3</sup>Article 378A

If the criteria set out in Article 378 have been fulfilled by a third country, the Treasury may by regulations determine that the solvency regime of the third country, that applies to reinsurance activities of undertakings with the head office in that third country, is equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive.

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- 2 Regulations under paragraph 1 must be regularly reviewed by the Treasury, in order to take into account any significant changes to the supervisory regime in the third country.
- The PRA must publish and keep up to date on its website a list of the third countries in respect of which Treasury has made regulations under paragraph 1.
- Where, in accordance with paragraph 1, the solvency regime of a third country has been determined to be equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive, reinsurance contracts concluded with undertakings that have their head office in that third country must be treated in the same manner as reinsurance contracts concluded with undertakings authorised in the United Kingdom.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

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F3 Arts. 378A, 378B inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(92) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2)(4)(a) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

# **I**<sup>F3</sup>Article 378B

The PRA must not retain or introduce for the establishment of technical provisions a system with gross reserving which requires pledging of assets to cover unearned premiums and outstanding claims provisions where the reinsurer is a third-country insurance or reinsurance undertaking, situated in a country whose solvency regime is deemed to be equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive in accordance with Article 378A.]

## **Textual Amendments**

F3 Arts. 378A, 378B inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(92) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2)(4)(a) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

## CHAPTER II

## RELATED THIRD COUNTRY INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE UNDERTAKINGS

## Article 379

## Criteria for assessing third country equivalence

The criteria to be taken into account in order to assess whether the solvency regime of a third country that applies to insurance and reinsurance undertakings with their head office in that third country is equivalent to that laid down in [F4the United Kingdom law which implemented] Title I, Chapter VI of Directive 2009/138/EC shall be the following:

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- (a) whether the assessment of the financial position of domestic insurance and reinsurance undertakings relies on sound economic principles and whether solvency requirements are based on an economic valuation of all assets and liabilities;
- (b) whether the solvency regime of that third country requires domestic insurance or reinsurance undertakings to hold adequate financial resources including all of the following:
  - (i) a requirement that those undertakings establish technical provisions with respect to all of their insurance and reinsurance obligations towards policy holders and beneficiaries of insurance and reinsurance contracts.
  - (ii) a requirement that assets held to cover technical provisions are invested in the best interests of all policy holders and beneficiaries taking into account any disclosed policy objective,
  - (iii) a requirement that those undertakings only invest in assets and instruments whose risks the undertaking concerned can properly identify, measure, monitor, manage, control and report,
  - (iv) a requirement that those undertakings meet capital requirements set at a level equivalent to that achieved by Article 101(3) of Directive 2009/138/ EC which ensures that in the event of significant losses policy holders and beneficiaries are adequately protected and continue to receive payments as they become due,
  - (v) a requirement that those undertakings maintain a minimum level of capital, non-compliance with which triggers immediate and ultimate supervisory intervention,
  - (vi) a requirement that those undertakings meet the capital requirements referred to in points (iv) and (v) with own funds that are of a sufficient quality and which are able to absorb significant losses, and that own-fund items considered by the supervisory authorities to be of a high quality shall absorb losses both in a going concern and in case of a winding up;
- (c) whether the capital requirements of the solvency regime of that third country are risk-based with the objective of capturing quantifiable risks and, where a significant risk is not quantifiable and cannot be captured in the capital requirements, whether that risk is addressed through another supervisory mechanism;
- (d) whether the solvency regime of that third country ensures timely intervention by supervisory authorities of the third country in the event that the capital requirement referred to in point (b)(iv) is not complied with;
- (e) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country, as well as auditors and experts acting on behalf of those authorities, are bound by obligations of professional secrecy and whether such obligations of professional secrecy extend to information received from all supervisory authorities;
- (f) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that, without prejudice to cases covered by criminal law, any confidential information received by all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country is not divulged to any person or authority whatsoever, except in summary or

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aggregate form, such that individual insurance and reinsurance undertakings cannot be identified;

- (g) whether the solvency regime of the third country provides that, where an insurance or reinsurance undertaking has been declared bankrupt or is being compulsorily wound up, confidential information which does not concern third parties involved in attempts to rescue that undertaking may be divulged in civil or commercial proceedings;
- (h) whether third country supervisory authorities which receive confidential information from supervisory authorities only use that information in the course of their duties and for any of the following purposes:
  - (i) to check that the conditions governing the taking-up of business, system of governance and public disclosure and solvency assessment have been met,
  - (ii) to impose sanctions,
  - (iii) in administrative appeals against decisions of the supervisory authorities,
  - (iv) in court proceedings relating to the solvency regime in that third country;
- (i) whether third country supervisory authorities are permitted to exchange information received from supervisory authorities, in the discharge of their supervisory functions or the detection and investigation of breaches of company law, with other authorities, bodies or persons where that authority, body or person is subject to the obligation of professional secrecy in the relevant third country and whether that information is only disclosed once the express agreement of the supervisory authority from which it originates has been obtained and, where appropriate, has been obtained solely for the purposes for which the authority gave its agreement.

## **Textual Amendments**

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**F4** Words in Art. 379(1) inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), **11(93)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

# **I**<sup>F5</sup>Article 379A

- 1 If the criteria set out in Article 379 above have been fulfilled by a third country, the Treasury may by regulations determine that the supervisory regime of that third country is equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive.
- 2 Regulations under paragraph 1 must be regularly reviewed by the Treasury, in order to take into account any significant changes to the supervisory regime laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive, and to the supervisory regime in the third country.
- 3 The PRA must publish and keep up to date on its website a list of all third countries in respect of which the Treasury have made regulations under paragraph 1.
- 4 The Treasury may, irrespective of whether the criteria specified in Article 379 have been fulfilled, by regulations determine that for the period referred to in paragraph 6, the solvency regime of a third country that applies to undertakings with the head office in that

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third country is provisionally equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive, where:

- a it can be shown that a solvency regime capable of being assessed as equivalent in accordance with Article 379 is currently in place or may be adopted and applied by the third country;
- b the third country has a solvency regime that is risk based and establishes quantitative and qualitative solvency requirements and requirements relating to supervisory reporting and transparency;
- the third country's law, in principle, allows cooperation, and exchange of confidential supervisory information, with the PRA;
- d the third country has an independent system of supervision; and
- e the third country has established obligations on professional secrecy for all persons acting on behalf of its supervisory authorities.
- 5 The PRA must publish and keep up to date on its website a list of all third countries in respect of which the Treasury have made regulations under paragraph 4.
- The initial period of provisional equivalence referred to in paragraph 4 must be 10 years, unless before the expiry of that period:
  - a the regulations made by the Treasury have been revoked; or
  - b the Treasury have made regulations in accordance with paragraph 1 to the effect that the supervisory regime of that third country has been determined to be equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive.
- 8 Provisional equivalence must be subject to renewals for further periods of 10 years where the criteria referred to in paragraph 4 continue to be met. The Treasury may by regulations renew the period of provisional equivalence in accordance with this paragraph.
- 9 Where, in accordance with paragraph 4, the Treasury have made regulations determining that the supervisory regime of a third country is provisionally equivalent, that third country must be deemed to be equivalent for the purposes of Regulation 19 of the Solvency 2 Regulations 2015.]

## **Textual Amendments**

F5 Art. 379A inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), **11(94)** (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

## CHAPTER III

# INSURANCE AND REINSURANCE UNDERTAKINGS WITH THE PARENT UNDERTAKINGS OUTSIDE THE UNION

Article 380

# Criteria for assessing third country equivalence

The criteria which shall be taken into account in order to assess whether the prudential regime in a third country for the supervision of groups is equivalent to that laid down

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# in [<sup>F6</sup>the United Kingdom law which implemented] Title III of Directive 2009/138/EC shall be the following:

- (a) whether the supervisory authorities of the third country have the necessary means, the relevant expertise, capacities including financial and human resources, and mandate to effectively protect policy holders and beneficiaries, regardless of their nationality or place of residence;
- (b) whether the supervisory authorities of the third country are empowered by law or regulation to:
  - (i) determine which undertakings fall under the scope of supervision at group level,
  - (ii) supervise insurance and reinsurance undertakings which are part of a group,
  - (iii) impose sanctions or take enforcement action where necessary;
- (c) whether the supervisory authorities of the third country are able to effectively assess the risk profile and solvency and financial position of insurance and reinsurance undertakings which are part of a group as well as that group's business strategy;
- (d) whether the scope of supervision at group level at least includes all undertakings over which a participating undertaking, as defined in Article 212(1)(a) of Directive 2009/138/EC, exercises dominant or significant influence unless where this would be inappropriate to the objectives of group supervision;
- (e) whether the supervisory authorities of the third country, in the exercise of their general duties, duly consider the potential impact of their decisions on the stability of financial systems globally, particularly during emergency situations, on the basis of the information available at the time;
- (f) whether the supervisory authorities of that third country take into account the potential pro-cyclical effects of their actions where exceptional movements in the financial markets occur;
- (g) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires an effective system of governance at the group level which provides for sound and prudent management of the business and prescribes all of the following:
  - (i) the existence of an adequate transparent organisational structure with a clear allocation and appropriate segregation of responsibilities;
  - requirements for ensuring that persons who effectively run the undertaking are fit and proper, which are equivalent to Article 42 of Directive 2009/138/EC;
  - (iii) the existence of effective processes to ensure the timely transmission of information both within the group and to the relevant supervisory authorities;
  - (iv) requirements for ensuring that the outsourced functions or activities are effectively supervised;
- (h) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires an effective risk-management system in place at the group level comprising at least all of the following:

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- (i) strategies, processes and internal reporting procedures necessary to identify, measure, monitor, manage and report risks on a continuous basis, to which the group is or could be exposed and their interdependencies;
- (ii) an effective internal control system;
- (i) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires the group to have sound reporting and accounting procedures to monitor and manage the intra-group transactions and the risk concentrations;
- (j) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires that effective risk-management, compliance, internal audit and actuarial functions are established and maintained by the group;
- (k) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires the group to do all of the following:
  - (i) to provide third country supervisory authorities with any information necessary for the purposes of supervision;
  - (ii) to report significant risk concentration at the level of the group and significant intra-group transactions, on at least an annual basis;
  - (iii) to disclose publicly, on at least an annual basis, a report on the solvency and financial condition of the group which is equivalent to that specified in Article 51 of Directive 2009/138/EC;
- (l) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires that proposed changes to the business policy or management of the group, or to qualifying holdings in the group, are consistent with the sound and prudent management of the group;
- (m) whether the assessment of the financial position of the group relies on sound economic principles and whether the assessment of solvency is based on an economic valuation of all assets and liabilities;
- (n) whether the prudential regime of that third country requires the group to hold adequate financial resources including all of the following:
  - (i) a requirement that the group establishes technical provisions with respect to all of its insurance and reinsurance obligations towards policy holders and beneficiaries of insurance and reinsurance undertakings which are part of the group;
  - (ii) a requirement that assets held to cover technical provisions are invested in the best interests of all policy holders and beneficiaries taking into account any disclosed policy objective;
  - (iii) a requirement that the group only invests in assets and instruments whose risks it can properly identify, measure, monitor, manage, control and report;
  - (iv) a requirement by the supervisory authorities of the third country that the group meet capital requirements set at a level equivalent to that achieved by Article 101(3) of Directive 2009/138/EC which ensures that in the event of significant losses policy holders and beneficiaries are adequately protected and continue to receive payments as they become due;

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- (v) a requirement that insurance or reinsurance undertakings which are part of the group maintain a minimum level of capital, non-compliance with which triggers immediate and ultimate supervisory intervention;
- (vi) a requirement that the group capital requirement is met with own funds that are of a sufficient quality and which are able to absorb significant losses, and that own-fund items considered by the supervisory authorities to be of a high quality shall absorb losses both in a going concern and in case of a winding up;
- (o) whether the capital requirements of the prudential regime of that third country are risk-based with the objective of capturing quantifiable risks and, where a significant risk is not quantifiable and cannot be captured in the capital requirements, whether that risk is addressed through another supervisory mechanism;
- (p) whether the prudential regime of that third country ensures timely intervention by supervisory authorities of the third country in the event that the capital requirement referred to in point (n)(iv) is not complied with;
- (q) whether the supervisory authorities of the third country restrict the use of own-fund items of a related insurance or reinsurance undertaking where they consider that they cannot effectively be made available to cover the capital requirement of the participating undertaking for which the group solvency is calculated;
- (r) whether the calculation of group solvency in the third country's prudential regime produces a result that is at least equivalent to the result achieved by either [F7method 1 or method 2], or a combination of them, and that calculation ensures that there is no double use of own funds to meet the group capital requirement and that the intragroup creation of capital through reciprocal financing is eliminated;
- (s) whether the prudential regime of the third country provides that all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country, as well as auditors and experts acting on behalf of those authorities, are bound by obligations of professional secrecy and whether such obligations of professional secrecy extend to information received from all supervisory authorities;
- (t) whether the prudential regime of the third country provides that, without prejudice to cases covered by criminal law, any confidential information received by all persons who are working or who have worked for the supervisory authorities of that third country is not divulged to any person or authority whatsoever, except in summary or aggregate form, such that individual insurance and reinsurance undertakings cannot be identified;
- (u) whether the prudential regime of the third country provides that, where an insurance or reinsurance undertaking has been declared bankrupt or is being compulsorily wound up, confidential information which does not concern third parties involved in attempts to rescue that undertaking may be divulged in civil or commercial proceedings;
- (v) whether third country supervisory authorities which receive confidential information from other supervisory authorities only use that information in the course of their duties and for any of the following purposes:
  - (i) to check that the conditions governing the taking-up of business, system of governance and public disclosure and solvency assessment have been met;
  - (ii) to impose sanctions;

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- (iii) in administrative appeals against decisions of the supervisory authorities;
- (iv) in court proceedings relating to the solvency regime in that third country;
- (w) whether third country supervisory authorities are permitted to exchange information received from supervisory authorities, in the discharge of their supervisory functions or the detection and investigation of breaches of company law, with other authorities, bodies or persons where that authority, body or person is subject to the obligation of professional secrecy in the relevant third country and whether that information is only disclosed once the express agreement of the supervisory authority from which it originates has been obtained and, where appropriate, has been obtained solely for the purposes for which the authority gave its agreement.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- **F6** Words in Art. 380 inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(95)(a) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)
- F7 Words in Art. 380(r) substituted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(95)(b) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

# I<sup>F8</sup>Article 380A

- 1 If the criteria set out in Article 380 have been fulfilled by a third country, the Treasury may by regulations determine that the prudential regime of that third country is equivalent to that laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive.
- Regulations under paragraph 1 must be regularly reviewed by the Treasury, in order to take into account any changes to the prudential regime for the supervision of groups laid down in the United Kingdom law which implemented the Solvency 2 Directive, and to the prudential regime in the third country for the supervision of groups, and to any other change in regulation that may affect the decision on equivalence.
- 3 The PRA must publish and keep up to date on its website a list of all third countries in respect of which the Treasury have made regulations under paragraph 1.]

# **Textual Amendments**

F8 Art. 380A inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(96) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2)(4), 54(2)(4)(b) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

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## **CHAPTER IV**

# FINAL PROVISIONS

I<sup>F9</sup>Article 380B

# Regulations

- 1 Regulations made by the Treasury under this Regulation are to be made by statutory instrument.
- 2 A statutory instrument which contains regulations under this Regulation is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.]

## **Textual Amendments**

F9 Art. 380B inserted (31.12.2020) by The Solvency 2 and Insurance (Amendment, etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/407), regs. 1(2), 11(97) (as amended by S.I. 2020/1385, regs. 1(2), 54(2) and with savings in S.I. 2019/680, reg. 11)

## Article 381

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

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