

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations revoke paragraph 7 of Form 2 in the Schedule to the Children's Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 (Notice of Transfer) Regulations 1996 which informed the accused of the requirement to give notice of particulars of an alibi in accordance with section 1 of the Evidence of Alibi Act (Northern Ireland) 1972. By virtue of regulation 1, the regulations come into operation on 14th February 1998 in relation to alleged offences into which no criminal investigation has begun before 1st January 1998, the date of commencement of Part I of the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996.