EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes amendments to the Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974 (S.I. 1974/2211, as amended) to create an exception to the quarantine requirements of that Order for animals of the order *Rodentia* (rodents such as mice and rats) and *Lagomorpha* (lagomorphs such as hares and rabbits) which are licenced to be brought into Scotland for use in scientific research at research premises or which are to be kept at a zoo.

No Business Regulatory Impact Assessment has been prepared in respect of this Order as no impact upon business, charities or voluntary bodies is foreseen.