

Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. XXXX

EUROPEAN UNION

**The European Union (Definition of Treaties)
(Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement) Order 2013**

Made - - - - 2013

Coming into force in accordance with Article 2

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the *** day of *** 2013

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972(1), a draft of this Order was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement) Order 2013.
2. This Order comes into force on the date on which the agreement referred to in Article 3 enters into force for the United Kingdom(2).
3. The Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part, signed on 26 June 2012(3), is to be regarded as an EU Treaty as defined in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

(1) 1972 c. 68. The references to "the EU" and "the EU Treaties" in sections 1(2) and (3) of the European Communities Act 1972 were inserted by the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008, s 3(1) and (3), Schedule Pt 1.

(2) This date will be notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes. It will also be possible to find out the date on which the agreement referred to in Article 3 enters into force for the United Kingdom by referring to the relevant page on UK Treaties Online which is part of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office's public website. The link to that page is: <http://treaties.fco.gov.uk/treaties/treatyrecord.htm?tid=14610>.

(3) OJ No L 354, 21.12.12, p3.

Draft Legislation: This is a draft item of legislation. This draft has since been made as a UK Statutory Instrument:
The European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Colombia and Peru Trade Agreement) Order 2014 No. 266

Name
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

On 26 June 2012, the European Union and all its Member States signed the Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and Colombia and Peru, of the other part (the “Agreement”). Peru and Colombia signed the Agreement on the same day. The Agreement has been provisionally applied since 1st March 2013 (as regards Peru) and since 1st August 2013 (as regards Colombia). It will enter into force between the EU and Colombia and Peru respectively on the first day of the month following the date on which the Depositary established under the Agreement receives notification in writing that the relevant Parties have completed their internal procedures, as required for the entry into force of the Agreement as between them, or on such other date as the Parties may agree.

This Order declares the Agreement to be an EU Treaty as defined by section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972. The principal effect of declaring the Agreement to be an EU Treaty is that the provisions of section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972 (which provide for the implementation of EU Treaties) apply to it.

A full Impact Assessment has not been carried out for this Order as an initial assessment determined that it is expected to have a negligible impact on the costs and benefits for business, the voluntary sector and public finances in the United Kingdom.