#### DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Statutory Auditors and Third Country Auditors (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018

#### PART 2

## Amendment of primary legislation CHAPTER 4

Amendment of other primary legislation

#### Amendment of the Companies (Audit, Investigations and Community Enterprise) Act 2004

- **43.** In section 16 (grants to bodies concerned with accounting standards etc)—
  - (a) after subsection (2)(ea)(1), insert—
    - "(eb) assessing, and reporting to the Secretary of State on, the comparability of the audit regulatory regimes of third countries to the audit regulatory regime of the United Kingdom;
    - (ec) assessing, and reporting to the Secretary of State on, the adequacy of third country competent authorities, in relation to their ability to co-operate with the competent authority on the exchange of audit working papers and investigation reports;";
  - (b) in subsection (5)—
    - (i) after the definition of "accountancy functions" insert—
      - "audit regulatory regime" in relation to a country or territory, means the system of public oversight, quality assurance, investigations and sanctions for auditors in that country or territory;";
    - (ii) after the definition of "company" (2) insert—
      - ""the competent authority" means the Financial Reporting Council Limited(3);";
    - (iii) after the definition of "subsidiary" (4) insert—
      - ""third country" means a country or territory other than the United Kingdom; "third country competent authority" means a body established in a third country exercising functions related to the regulation or oversight of auditors.".

<sup>(1)</sup> Sub-section (2)(ea) was inserted by paragraph 1(3) of Schedule 5 to S.I. 2016/649.

<sup>(2)</sup> The definition of "company" was amended by paragraph 222(2) of Schedule 1 to S.I. 2009/1941.

<sup>(3)</sup> A company registered in England and Wales with number 02486368.

<sup>(4)</sup> The definition of "subsidiary" was amended by paragraph 222(3) of Schedule 1 to S.I. 2009/1941.