



# Companies Act 1985

## 1985 CHAPTER 6

### PART XIV

#### INVESTIGATION OF COMPANIES AND THEIR AFFAIRS; REQUISITION OF DOCUMENTS

##### *Requisition and seizure of books and papers*

#### **453 Investigation of [<sup>F1</sup>overseas] companies.**

[<sup>F2</sup>(1) The provisions of this Part apply to bodies corporate incorporated outside [<sup>F3</sup>the United Kingdom] which are carrying on business in [<sup>F3</sup>the United Kingdom], or have at any time carried on business there, as they apply to companies under this Act; but subject to the following exceptions, adaptations and modifications.

(1A) The following provisions do not apply to such bodies—

- (a) section 431 (investigation on application of company or its members),
- (b) <sup>F4</sup> .....
- (c) sections 442 to 445 (investigation of company ownership and power to obtain information as to those interested in shares, &c.), <sup>F5</sup> . . .
- (d) <sup>F5</sup> .....

(1B) The other provisions of this Part apply to such bodies subject to such adaptations and modifications as may be specified by regulations made by the Secretary of State.]

(2) Regulations under this section shall be made by statutory instrument subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of either House of Parliament.

#### **Textual Amendments**

**F1** Word in s. 453 heading substituted (1.10.2009) by [The Companies Act 2006 \(Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1941\)](#), art. 2(1), [Sch. 1 para. 57\(7\)\(a\)](#)

**F2** S. 453(1)(1A)(1B) substituted by [Companies Act 1989 \(c. 40, SIF 27\)](#), [ss. 70, 213\(2\)](#)

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for the Companies Act 1985, Section 453. (See end of Document for details)*

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- F3** Words in s. 453(1) substituted (1.10.2009) by [The Companies Act 2006 \(Consequential Amendments, Transitional Provisions and Savings\) Order 2009 \(S.I. 2009/1941\)](#), art. 2(1), **Sch. 1 para. 57(7)(b)**
- F4** S. 453(1A)(b) repealed (6.4.2007) by [Companies Act 2006 \(c. 46\)](#), ss. 1176(3), 1295, 1300, **Sch. 16** (with s. 1176(4)); [S.I. 2006/3428](#), arts. 4(1)(b), 7(c), Sch. 4 (subject to art. 5, Sch. 1 and with arts. 6, 8, Sch. 5 (as amended by [S.I. 2007/3495](#), art. 11, Sch. 5))
- F5** S. 453(1A)(d) and the preceding word "and" repealed (1.10.2007) by [Companies Act 2006 \(c. 46\)](#), ss. 1295, 1300, **Sch. 16**; [S.I. 2007/2194](#), **art. 8**, Sch. 2 Pt. 1 (with art. 12)

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