These notes refer to the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002 (c.41) which received Royal Assent on 7 November 2002

## NATIONALITY, IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM ACT 2002

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS**

**Part 4: Detention and Removal** 

## Removal

Section 77: No removal while claim for asylum pending

212. Section 77 replaces section 15 of the 1999 Act which provides that an asylum claimant may not be removed from or required to leave the United Kingdom before notice of the Secretary of State's decision on the claim is given. The new section only prohibits removals in accordance with a provision in the Immigration Acts, and subsection (4) allows removal directions or a deportation order to be given and other interim or preparatory action to be taken before notice of a decision on the claim has been given.