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EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Chapter 3: Civil Nuclear Constabulary

Section 57: Stop and search under Terrorism Act 2000

191. Section 57 enables members of the Civil Nuclear Constabulary to be authorised by a senior officer of the Constabulary, under section 44 of the Terrorism Act 2000 (c.11), to stop and search for articles which could be used in connection with terrorism without grounds for suspicion. In practice such powers are likely to be used mainly in connection with securing trans-shipment sites as part of a joint operation with local police forces, and subject to agreed arrangements between the respective chief constables. The authorisation will lapse during any period in which the Constabulary ceases to have jurisdiction in the place or area specified in the authorisation.