

*These notes refer to the Terrorism Act 2006 (c.11)  
which received Royal Assent on 30 March 2006*

# **TERRORISM ACT 2006**

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

### **COMMENTARY**

#### *Definitions*

#### *Section 1 – Encouragement of terrorism*

#### **Subsection (5)**

26. **Subsection (5)** sets out that the statement, or how it is likely to be understood, need not relate to a specific act of terrorism or Convention offence. It also sets out that an offence is committed whether or not any person is actually encouraged or induced to commit, prepare or instigate an act of terrorism or Convention offence. It follows from this that it is not necessary in order for the offence to be committed for an act of terrorism or a Convention offence actually to take place.