These notes refer to the Antarctic Act 2013 (c.15) which received Royal Assent on 26 March 2013

## **ANTARCTIC ACT 2013**

## **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **SUMMARY**

- 6. Part 1 of the Act implements the Liability Annex (see paragraph 5 above).
- 7. Part 2 of the Act amends the 1994 Act, primarily to respond to the increasing internationalisation of Antarctic expeditions, to protect historic sites and monuments and address the increasing vulnerability of the Antarctic environment as a result of climate change. These amendments include those necessary to implement revisions to Annex II to the Protocol adopted by the Antarctic Treaty Consultative Meeting in 2009. Annex II, as revised, is available at www.ats.aq/documents/recatt/att432\_e.pdf.