

United Kingdom Internal Market Act 2020

2020 CHAPTER 27

PART 4

INDEPENDENT ADVICE ON AND MONITORING OF UK INTERNAL MARKET

Reporting, advisory and monitoring functions

Monitoring and reporting on the operation of the UK internal market

- (1) The CMA may from time to time undertake a review of any matter it considers relevant to assessing or promoting the effective operation of—
 - (a) the internal market in the United Kingdom;
 - (b) provisions of Parts 1 to 3 (for example with regard to particular sectors of the internal market, or trade in different parts of the United Kingdom).
- (2) The CMA may receive and consider any proposals that may be made or referred to it for undertaking a review in exercise of its powers under subsection (1).
- (3) The CMA may prepare and publish a report on any matter falling within subsection (1).
- (4) Any report published by the CMA under subsection (3) is to be published in such manner as it considers appropriate.
- (5) The CMA must, no later than 31 March 2023 and at least once in every relevant 12-month period, prepare a report on—
 - (a) the operation of the internal market in the United Kingdom, and
 - (b) developments as to the effectiveness of the operation of that market.
- (6) The CMA must, no later than 31 March 2023 and at least once in every relevant 5-year period, prepare a report on—
 - (a) the effectiveness of the operation of provisions of Parts 1 to 3,
 - (b) the impact of the operation of those Parts on the operation and development of the internal market in the United Kingdom,

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- (c) any interaction between the operation of those Parts and common framework agreements, and
- (d) the impact of common framework agreements on the operation and development of the internal market in the United Kingdom.
- (7) The CMA must arrange for a copy of the report prepared under subsection (5) or (6) for any period to be laid before—
 - (a) each House of Parliament,
 - (b) the Scottish Parliament,
 - (c) Senedd Cymru, and
 - (d) the Northern Ireland Assembly.
- (8) So far as a report under this section is concerned with the effective operation of the internal market in the United Kingdom, the report may consider (among other things)
 - (a) developments in the operation of the internal market, for example as regards—
 - (i) competition,
 - (ii) access to goods and services,
 - (iii) volumes of trade (or of trade in any direction) between participants in different parts of the United Kingdom, and
 - (b) the practical implications of differences of approach embodied in regulatory provisions, falling within the scope of this Part, that apply to different parts of the United Kingdom.
- (9) In this section—

"common framework agreements" has the meaning given by section 10; "relevant 12-month period" means—

- (a) the period of 12 months beginning with 1 April 2023, and
- (b) each successive period of 12 months;

"relevant 5-year period" means—

- (a) the period of 5 years beginning with 1 April 2023, and
- (b) each successive period of 5 years.

Commencement Information

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