



# 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*

#### **35 Provision of report on request after regulatory provision is passed or made**

- (1) The CMA may, at the request of a relevant national authority, provide a report to the authority on the impact on the effective operation of the internal market in the United Kingdom of a regulatory provision specified in the request which—
  - (a) is passed or made after the day on which this section comes into force,
  - (b) falls within the scope of this Part, and
  - (c) applies to the relevant part of the United Kingdom and is within relevant competence.
- (2) A relevant national authority may not request a report from the CMA under subsection (1) unless the authority has considered whether any other person or body is qualified to provide an independent report on the matter.
- (3) Subsections (1) and (2) apply in relation to two or more relevant national authorities acting jointly as those subsections apply in relation to a single relevant national authority.
- (4) A request under subsection (1) must set out the reasons for making it.
- (5) If the CMA declines to provide a report requested under subsection (1) it must—
  - (a) give the requesting authority a notice of its reasons for doing so, and
  - (b) publish the notice in such manner as it considers appropriate.
- (6) Where the CMA provides a report under this section—
  - (a) if the report was requested by two or more relevant national authorities acting jointly, the CMA must provide the report to each of them simultaneously;

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- (b) the CMA must, as soon as reasonably practicable after complying with paragraph (a), publish the report in such manner as it considers appropriate.
- (7) In this section “the relevant part of the United Kingdom” means—
- (a) in the application of this section to a relevant national authority who is the Scottish Ministers, Scotland;
  - (b) in the application of this section to a relevant national authority who is the Welsh Ministers, Wales;
  - (c) in the application of this section to a relevant national authority who is a Northern Ireland department, Northern Ireland;
  - (d) in the application of this section to a relevant national authority who is the Secretary of State, any part of the United Kingdom.