

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 20

FURTHER PROVISION ABOUT VIDEO AND AUDIO LINKS IN CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

Extradition Act 2003

- 2 (1) The Extradition Act 2003 is amended as follows.
- (2) In section 206A—
- (a) in the heading, omit “certain”;
 - (b) in subsection (1)—
 - (i) in paragraph (a), omit the words from “other” to “56.”;
 - (ii) in paragraph (b), omit the words from “, other” to the end;
 - (c) in subsection (2)—
 - (i) for the words from “the person” to “during the hearing,” substitute “it is in the interests of justice to do so.”;
 - (ii) omit “at any time before the hearing”;
 - (d) for subsection (3) substitute—

“(3) A live link direction is a direction requiring a person to take part in the hearing (in whatever capacity) through a live link.”;
 - (e) omit subsection (5);
 - (f) for subsection (6) substitute—

“(6) A person who takes part in the hearing through a live link is to be treated as present in court for the purposes of the hearing.”
- (3) In section 206C—
- (a) omit subsections (4) and (5);
 - (b) in subsection (6)—
 - (i) in the opening words, for “, while absent from the place where the hearing is being held,” substitute “(P)”;
 - (ii) in paragraph (a), for the words from “the appropriate” to the end substitute “all other persons taking part in the hearing who are not in the same location as P, and”;
 - (iii) in paragraph (b), for the words from “the judge” to the end substitute “all other persons taking part in the hearing who are not in the same location as P.”;
 - (iv) omit the words after paragraph (b);
 - (c) after subsection (6) insert—

“(7) For the purposes of subsection (6) the following matters are to be disregarded—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- (a) the extent (if any) to which a person is unable to see or hear by reason of any impairment of eyesight or hearing;
- (b) the effect of any direction or order which provides for one person taking part in a hearing to be prevented by means of a screen or other arrangement from seeing another person taking part in the hearing.”