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SCHEDULES

PROSPECTIVE

SCHEDULE 15 **U.K.**

EXEMPTIONS

Legal activities

- 6 (1) Sections [65\(4\)](#) and [69\(3\)](#) (requirements to register foreign activity arrangements and foreign influence arrangements) do not apply in relation to a foreign activity arrangement or a foreign influence arrangement to the extent that the arrangement relates to the carrying on of a legal activity by a lawyer.
- (2) The following provisions do not apply to the carrying on of a legal activity by a lawyer—
- (a) section [68\(1\)](#) to [\(3\)](#) (specified persons etc must not carry out unregistered activities);
 - (b) section [72\(1\)](#) (foreign powers etc must not carry out unregistered political influence activities).
- (3) “Lawyer” means—
- (a) a person who for the purposes of the Legal Services Act 2007 is an authorised person in relation to an activity that constitutes a reserved legal activity (within the meaning of that Act),
 - (b) a solicitor or barrister in Northern Ireland,
 - (c) a solicitor or advocate in Scotland, or
 - (d) a person who is a member, and entitled to practise as such, of a legal profession regulated in a jurisdiction outside the United Kingdom.
- (4) “Legal activity” means—
- (a) in England and Wales, a legal activity within the meaning of section 12 of the Legal Services Act 2007,
 - (b) in Northern Ireland, a legal activity within the meaning of that section, but reading the reference to an activity which is a reserved legal activity as a reference to an activity corresponding to a reserved legal activity,
 - (c) in Scotland, the provision of legal services within the meaning of section 3 of the [Legal Services \(Scotland\) Act 2010 \(asp 16\)](#), or
 - (d) acting as an arbitrator or mediator.

Commencement Information

- II** Sch. 15 para. 6 not in force at Royal Assent, see 100(1)

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