

1994 No.1646

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security (Cyprus) Order 1994

Made - - - - 22nd June 1994

Coming into force - 4th July 1994

[Under art. 2 of S.I. 1995/767 the SSC&B Act 1996 (c.4), the SSA Act 1992 (c.5) and the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c.18) are modified so that the effect can be given to the proposal that any references in the Agreement set out in the Schedule to this Order, to sickness benefit, invalidity benefit or invalidity pension under UK legislation shall include short-term incapacity benefit or long-term incapacity benefit.]

[Under art. 2 of S.I. 1996/1928, the SSC&B Act 1996 (c.4), the SSA Act 1992 (c.5) and the Jobseekers Act 1995 (c.18) are modified. The effect will be that any reference, in the Agreement set out in the Schedule to this Order, to unemployment benefit shall include a reference to contribution-based jobseeker's allowance. Also any definition, in that Agreement, of legislation to which the Agreement applies shall be read as including a reference to the Jobseekers Act 1995.]

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of June 1994

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas at Nicosia on the 18th December 1982 a Convention on social security between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention")**(a)** was signed on behalf of those Governments and effect was given to the Convention by the Social Security (Cyprus) Order 1983**(b)** (hereinafter referred to as the "Principal Order"):

And Whereas the Convention was amended by the Agreement**(c)** contained in Notes exchanged on behalf of the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus on 9th May 1994 (which Notes are set out in the Schedule to this Order):

And Whereas by section 179(1)**(a)** and (2) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992**(d)** it is provided that Her Majesty may by Order in Council make provisions for modifying or adapting that Act and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992**(e)** in their application to cases affected by agreements with the Governments of countries outside the United Kingdom providing for reciprocity in matters specified in the said section:

(a) Cmnd. 9142.
(b) S.I. 1983/1698 as amended by S.I. 1988/591.
(c) Cm. 2585.
(d) 1992 c. 5.
(e) 1992 c. 4.

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Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of section 179(1)(a) and (2) of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Social Security (Cyprus) Order 1994 and shall come into force on 4th July 1994.

Modification of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 and amendment of the Principal Order

2. The Social Security Administration Act 1992 and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 shall be modified and the Principal Order shall be amended so as to give effect to the Convention as amended by the Agreement set out in the Schedule to this Order, so far as the same relate to England, Wales and Scotland.

Amendment of Order

3. The reference to the Social Security (Cyprus) Order 1983 shall be omitted in the Schedule to the Social Security (Reciprocal Agreements) Order 1988(a)

N.H. Nicholls
Clerk to the Privy Council

(a) S.I. 1988/591

SCHEDULE

**NOTES EXCHANGED ON 9th MAY 1994 BETWEEN THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF
GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS**

No. 1

H.E. Mr. Andreas Moushoutas
Minister of Labour and Social Insurance

British High Commission
Nicosia

9th May 1994

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the Convention on Social Security between the government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, which was signed at Nicosia on 18 December 1982, (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention"), and to recent correspondence between the Department of Social Security in the United Kingdom and the Ministry of Labour and Social Insurance in Cyprus concerning the need to amend the Convention and to propose the following amendments to the said Convention:

- [Paragraph (A) substitutes article 1(1) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (B) amends article 2(1) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (C) substitutes article 6(1) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (D) substitutes article 7(3) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (E) amends article 12 of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (F) amends heading of Section 3 (art. 13) of Part III of, and article 13 of, Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (G) amends article 14 of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (H) amends article 15(3) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (I) amends article 16 of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (J) substitutes article 17(4)(c) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (K) substitutes article 18 of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (L) amends heading of Section 8 (arts. 24 and 25) of Part III of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (M) inserts article 25A into Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (N) amends article 27(2) of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]
- [Paragraph (O) amends article 32 of Schedule to S.I. 1983/1698.]

If the foregoing proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, I have the honour to propose that this Note, together with Your Excellency's reply to that effect, shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on 4th July 1994.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

C.B. Jennings
Acting High Commissioner.

No. 2

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H.E. C.B. Jennings
Acting High Commissioner
British High Commission

Nicosia
9th May 1994

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of 9th May 1994 which in translation reads as follows:

[The Note here sets out the text of No. 1].

I have the honour to inform you that these proposals are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Cyprus and that they agree that your Note and this reply shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on 4th July 1994.

I avail myself of this opportunity to review to Your Excellency the assurance of my highest consideration.

Andreas Moushoutas
Minister

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for modification of the Social Security Administration Act 1992 and the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 so as to give effect in England, Wales and Scotland to the provisions contained in Notes (set out in the Schedule) exchanged between the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the Government of the Republic of Cyprus. The Exchange of Notes amends the Convention set out in the Schedule to the Social Security (Cyprus) Order 1983 and extends sickness and maternity benefit provisions to the Sovereign Base Areas in Cyprus.

This order does not impose any costs on business.