1999 No. 1738

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

The European Communities (Definition of Treaties)
(Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and
Cooperation Agreement between the European Community
and its Member States and the United Mexican States)
Order 1999

Made - - - 22nd June 1999

Coming into force in accordance with Article 1

At the Court at Windsor Castle, the 22nd day of June 1999

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas a draft of this Order has been laid before Parliament in accordance with section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972(a) and has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972 or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

- 1. This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States and the United Mexican States) Order 1999. It shall come into force in respect of the treaty specified in the Schedule to this Order on the date on which the treaty enters into force for the United Kingdom. This date will be notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes.
- **2.** The treaty specified in the Schedule to this Order is to be regarded as a Community Treaty as defined in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

A.K. Galloway
Clerk of the Privy Council

SCHEDULE

The Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the United Mexican States of the other part, signed at Brussels on 8th December 1997(a).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

The Order declares the Economic Partnership, Political Coordination and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States and the United Mexican States, signed on 8th December 1997, to be a Community Treaty as defined in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972. The object of the Agreement is to strengthen existing relations between the European Community and its Member States and the United Mexican States. To this end, the Agreement shall institutionalise political dialogue, strengthen commercial and economic relations by means of the liberalisation of trade in conformity with the rules of the World Trade Organisation and shall reinforce and broaden cooperation. The principal effect of declaring this Agreement to be a Community Treaty as so defined is to bring into play, in relation to it, the provisions of section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972 which provide for the implementation of treaties so specified.

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