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#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

### 1999 No. 3131

## CINEMAS AND FILMS

# The European Convention on Cinematographic Co-production (Amendment) Order 1999

Made	-	-	24th November 1999
Coming into force	-	-	25th November 1999

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 24th day of November 1999

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by paragraph 4(7) of Schedule 1 to the Films Act 1985(), 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 Convention on Cinematographic Coproduction (Amendment) Order 1999 and shall come into force on 25th November 1999.

**2.** The Schedule to the European Convention on Cinematographic Co-production Order 1994() shall be amended by inserting at the appropriate place in alphabetical order the word "Lithuania".

*A. K. Galloway* Clerk of the Privy Council

<sup>(</sup>a) 1985 c. 21; Schedule 1, paragraph 4 was amended by S.I. 1999/2386, article 6.

 <sup>(</sup>b) S.I. 1994/1065, amended by S.I. 1994/1904, 1994/3218, 1995/1298, 1995/1963, 1995/2730, 1996/2600, 1996/3169, 1997/870, 1997/1319, 1997/1743.

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

(This note is not part of the Order)

The European Convention on Cinematographic Co-production Order 1994 ("the Principal Order") provides that films made in accordance with the European Convention on Cinematographic Co-production (Cm 2495) are to be treated as British films for the purposes of Schedule 1 to the Films Act 1985. For the Convention to apply where there are only two co-producers one must be established in the United Kingdom and the other in one of the countries set out in the Schedule to the Principal Order. For the Convention to apply where there are three are three or more co-producers one must be established in the United Kingdom and at least two others in different countries set out in the Schedule to the Principal Order.

This Order amends the Schedule to the Principal Order by adding Lithuania to the countries set out therein.

Certain fiscal benefits may accrue in respect of a film which is a British film.

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