

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Article 13(2) of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 3820/85 of 20th December 1985 on the harmonisation of certain social legislation relating to road transport provides that Member States may in urgent cases grant a temporary exception for a period not exceeding 30 days to transport operations carried out in exceptional circumstances. These Regulations provide that until 12th October 2000 any time spent driving in the exceptional circumstances occasioned by the disruption of fuel supplies in Great Britain or the effects or consequences of such exceptional circumstances shall not be taken into account for the purposes of the application of Articles 6, 8(3), 8(4) or 8(5) of the Council Regulation.