STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2003 No. 2305

DEFENCE

The Royal Air Force Terms of Service (Amendment) Regulations 2003

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Laid before Parliament	9th September 2003
Coming into force	1st October 2003

The Defence Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 2 of the Armed Forces Act 1966(a), hereby make the following Regulations:

Citation and Commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Royal Air Force Terms of Service (Amendment) Regulations 2003 and shall come into force on 1st October 2003.

Amendment to the Regulations

2.—(1) The Royal Air Force Terms of Service Regulations 1985(**b**) shall be amended in accordance with the following provision of this regulation.

(2) In regulation 15(1) (continuance in service), for the words "12 months" there shall be substituted the words "three years (or in the case of a person in air force service on 1st October 2003 who at that date has not already given notice under this paragraph, such shorter period as at that date remains)".

On behalf of the Defence Council

4th September 2003

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(a) 1966 c.45; amendments have been made to section 2 which are not relevant to these Regulations.

⁽**b**) S.I. 1985/1820, amended by S.I. 1989/994, 1990/2374, 1997/231 and 2001/542.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

These Regulations further amend the Royal Air Force Terms of Service Regulations 1985 ("the principal Regulations").

Under Regulation 15 of the principal Regulations a person who is enlisted in the Royal Air Force on an engagement to complete 22 years of service may apply to continue in service after the date on which his enlisted term would otherwise expire. Under the same regulation, that person may make his application to continue in service at any time within the 12 months before the date on which his enlisted term would otherwise expire. These regulations amend the principal Regulations by extending the period during which such an application may be made to the 3 years before the date on which his enlisted term would otherwise expire (or such shorter period as remains at the time these regulations come into force).

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