STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2005 No. 3174

CIVIL PARTNERSHIP, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Reporting of Suspicious Civil Partnerships Regulations 2005

Made - - - - 15th November 2005

Coming into force - - 5th December 2005

The Registrar General, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 24A(3) and (4)(a) of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999(a), with the approval of the Chancellor of the Exchequer, makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Reporting of Suspicious Civil Partnerships Regulations 2005 and shall come into force on 5th December 2005.
- (2) In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires "the 1999 Act" means the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999.

Reporting of suspicious civil partnerships

- **2.** For the purpose of section 24A of the 1999 Act (duty to report suspicious civil partnerships) the person concerned(**b**) shall—
 - (a) report his suspicions to the Secretary of State by making a report in writing or other permanent form giving the information specified in the Schedule to these Regulations, and
 - (b) forward that report to the Home Office, National Intelligence Unit, PO Box 1000, Hayes, Middlesex UB3 5WB or, where the Secretary of State has notified the Registrar General of another address to be used in relation to any particular registration authority, that address.

⁽a) 1999 c. 33; section 24A was inserted in the 1999 Act by paragraph 162 of Schedule 27 to the Civil Partnership Act 2004.

⁽b) for the meaning of "person concerned", see section 24A(1) and (3) of the 1999 Act.

Given under my hand on

15th November 2005

Karen Dunnell Registrar General

I approve

Signed by authority of the Chancellor of the Exchequer

15th November 2005

John Healey Financial Secretary to the Treasury

SCHEDULE

Regulation 2

Information to be provided when reporting a suspicious civil partnership

Name and surname of each of the civil partners

Date of birth and /or age of each of the civil partners

Sex of each of the civil partners

Condition of each of the civil partners

Address (and registration authority of residence) of each of the civil partners

Nationality of each of the civil partners

Date of formation of civil partnership

Place of formation of civil partnership

Time of formation of civil partnership

Nature of evidence produced in respect of—

- (i) name and age
- (ii) condition
- (iii) nationality

of the civil partners

Reasons for making the report

Full name of person making the report

Name of registration authority on whose behalf the report is being made

Date report made

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations set out the procedure for reporting certain civil partnerships to the Secretary of State where it is suspected that the civil partnership will be, or is, a sham civil partnership.