EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Naval, Military and Air Forces Etc. (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 2006 ("the principal Order") which makes provision for pensions and other awards in respect of disablement or death due to service in the naval, military and air forces.

Paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 amends article 12(3)(e) of the principal Order by increasing the period between the termination of the original payment of unemployability allowance and the making of a new claim for unemployability allowance from 52 to 104 weeks for those persons who become engaged in remunerative work which then ceases, provided they meet the other criteria set out in article 12(3)(e).

Paragraph 2 of Schedule 1 corrects an omission in the principle Order which arose during the process of consolidating a number of earlier instruments into the principle Order.

Paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 varies the rate of supplementary pension payable to an entitled surviving spouse or surviving civil partner of a member whose service terminated before 31st March 1973.

Paragraphs 4 and 5 of Schedule 1 substitute Tables in Schedules 1 and 2 to the principal Order thereby varying the rates of retired pay, pensions, gratuities and allowances in respect of disablement or death due to service in the armed forces. In addition the rates set out in paragraphs 1(b)(i) and 1(b) (ii) of the Table at Schedule 4 of this Order, which replaces the Table at Part IV of Schedule 1 of the principal Order, have been revised to correct an error which arose during the process of consolidating a number of earlier instruments into the principal Order.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.