
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order makes provision for increases in the salaries payable under section 1(1), (3) and (3A) of the Ministerial and other Salaries Act 1975 (the 1975 Act) over and above the increases payable by virtue of the uprating formula in section 1A of the 1975 Act. The salaries covered by sections 1(1), (3) and (3A) are those of Ministers, Opposition Leaders and Whips and other office-holders listed in Schedule 1 to the 1975 Act, and the Commons and Lord Speakers.

Article 2(1) provides that the annual amount, or where applicable the maximum and minimum amounts, of these salaries are increased, for the financial year 2007-8, by 0.84% with effect from 1st April 2007 and a further 1.06% with effect from 1st November 2007. This is over and above the increase in these amounts resulting from the annual uprating formula in section 1A of the Act.

Article 2(2) provides that the increases in these amounts are to be taken into account for the purposes of the calculation of increases in subsequent years under section 1A of the Act.

Article 2(3) provides that Article 2 has effect in relation to the holders of a paid office during the period 1st April 2007 to the coming into force of the Order only if that person holds that paid office, or another paid office under section 1 of the 1975 Act, when the Order comes into force.

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