

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Patents (Convention Countries) Order 2007 ([S.I. 2007/276](#)) under powers conferred by sections 90(1) and 124(3) of the Patents Act 1977 to fulfil the international obligations of the United Kingdom as a member of the World Trade Organisation (WTO). Cape Verde became a member of the WTO on 23rd July 2008. This Order declares Cape Verde to be a convention country for the purposes of section 5 of the Patents Act 1977.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as it has no impact on the costs of business.