EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order specifies 2-(ethylamino)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanone and related substances specified in article 2, commonly known as methoxetamine, as drugs subject to temporary control under section 2A(1) of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971 (inserted by section 151 of, and paragraph 3 of Schedule 17 to, the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011). Article 3 provides that the Misuse of Drugs (Safe Custody) Regulations 1973 apply to 2-(ethylamino)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanone and related substances, and that the provisions of the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001 are to apply to those substances as if they were specified as controlled drugs to which Schedule 1 to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001 applied. In accordance with subsection (6) of section 2A of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, 2-(ethylamino)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanone and related substances will cease to be subject to temporary control after the expiry of one year or, if earlier, upon the coming into force of an Order in Council under section 2(2) of that Act listing 2-(ethylamino)-2-(3-methoxyphenyl)cyclohexanone and related substances in Part 1, 2 or 3 of Schedule 2 to that Act.