STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

The European Parliamentary Elections (Amendment) Regulations 2018

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Coming into force in accordance with regulation 1(2)

The Minister for the Cabinet Office, being a Minister designated(1) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(2) in relation to the European Parliament, makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, section 5(1), (2), (3A) and (3B) of the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002(3) and sections 12(1) and 13(4) of the European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003(4).

In accordance with section 7(1) and (2)(a) of the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000(5) and section 12(5) of the European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003, the Minister for the Cabinet Office has consulted the Electoral Commission about these Regulations.

In accordance with paragraph 2(2) of Schedule 2 to the European Communities Act 1972, section 13(2) of the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002 and section 13(5) of the European Parliament (Representation) Act 2003, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

⁽¹⁾ The Minister for the Cabinet Office is designated by virtue of S.I. 2016/1112.

^{(2) 1972} c.68.

^{(3) 2002} c.24 ("the 2002 Act"). Section 5(3A) and (3B) was inserted by, and section 5(5) was amended by, the European Parliamentary Elections Act 2002 (Amendment) Regulations 2018. The Functions of the Secretary of State under the 2002 Act were made exercisable concurrently with the Lord President of the Council by the Lord President of the Council Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1837). The Lord President of the Council's functions were transferred to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1376); and were subsequently transferred to the Minister for the Cabinet Office by the Transfer of Functions (Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information) Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/997).

^{(4) 2003} c.7. Section 12 was amended by S.I. 2003/1887, there are other amending instruments but none is relevant. The Functions of the Secretary of State under the 2002 Act were made exercisable concurrently with the Lord President of the Council by the Lord President of the Council Order 2010 (S.I. 2010/1837). The Lord President of the Council's functions were transferred to the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster by the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/1376); and were subsequently transferred to the Minister for the Cabinet Office by the Transfer of Functions (Elections, Referendums, Third Sector and Information) Order 2016 (S.I. 2016/997).

^{(5) 2000} c.41. Section 7 was amended by paragraph 8 of Schedule 3 to the 2002 Act.