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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 973**

**NATIONAL SECURITY**

**The Coronavirus (Retention of Fingerprints and DNA Profiles in the Interests of National Security) (No. 2) Regulations 2020**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>at 2.54 p.m. on 10th September 2020</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>at 4.00 p.m. on 10th September 2020</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st October 2020</i>

The Secretary of State makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 24(2), (4) and (8) of the Coronavirus Act 2020<sup>(1)</sup>.

The Secretary of State, in accordance with section 24(3) of that Act, considers that coronavirus is having, or is likely to have, an adverse effect on the capacity of persons responsible for making national security determinations to consider whether to make, or renew, national security determinations and that it is in the interests of national security to retain the fingerprints or DNA profiles as provided for in these Regulations.

The Secretary of State has consulted the Commissioner for the Retention and Use of Biometric Material in accordance with section 24(6) of that Act.