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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations, which apply to Wales, implement Commission Decision [99/842/EC](#) amending Decision [96/301/EC](#) which authorises Member States temporarily to take emergency measures against the dissemination of *Pseudomonas solanacearum* (Smith) Smith as regards Egypt (OJNo. L326, 18.12.99, p.68) by amending the definition of “the Decision” in the Potatoes Originating in Egypt Regulations 1998 (“the 1998 Regulations”) (regulation 2(2)). Decision [99/842/EC](#) makes minor modifications to the requirements applying to potatoes imported into Member States from Egypt.

These Regulations also:

- (a) vest the functions of “the Minister” in the 1998 Regulations in the National Assembly for Wales, in so far as such functions are exercisable in relation to Wales (regulation 2(2)(b)); and
- (b) substitute the references to “*Pseudomonas solanacearum* (Smith) Smith” in the 1998 Regulations with the term “*Ralstonia solanacearum* (Smith) Yabuuchi et al.” (regulation 2(3)).