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An Act to provide for the taking of evidence in the State from a member of the Garda Síochána for the purposes of certain inquests and inquiries held in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; to permit the Garda Síochána to enter into agreements for co-operation with certain persons or bodies outside the State; to permit the Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission to enter into agreements for co-operation with law enforcement agencies or certain other persons or bodies outside the State; and for those purposes and other purposes, to amend the Garda Síochána Act 2005; to amend the European Arrest Warrant Act 2003; to amend the Criminal Justice (Mutual Assistance) Act 2008; and to provide for related matters. [23rd July, 2019]

Be it enacted by the Oireachtas as follows:

Definitions

1. In this Act—

“Act of 2005” means the Garda Síochána Act 2005;

“designated United Kingdom inquest” means an inquest or inquiry that has been designated under *section 2*;

“Garda Commissioner” means the Commissioner of the Garda Síochána;

“legal representative” means a practising solicitor or a practising barrister;

“Minister” means the Minister for Justice and Equality;

“Northern Ireland troubles related inquest” means an inquest that is being held under the law of Northern Ireland into the death of any person in Northern Ireland that occurred or may have occurred as a result of an act of violence or force carried out during the period beginning on 1 January 1966 and ending on 10 April 1998—

- (a) for reasons connected with the constitutional position of, or political or sectarian hostility in, Northern Ireland, or
- (b) in connection with the prevention, detection or investigation of offences connected with the reasons referred to in *paragraph (a)*.