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WHEREAS the Sixth Council Directive of 17 May, 1977 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to turnover taxes — Common system of value added tax: uniform basis of assessment (Council Directive No. 77/388/EEC)¹, as last amended by Council Directive No. 92/111/EEC of 14 December, 1992², establishes rules as to when value added tax becomes chargeable on supplies of goods, supplies of services and intra-Community acquisitions of goods;

AND WHEREAS paragraph 5 of Article 22 of Council Directive No. 77/388/EEC permits Member States to require of taxable persons an interim payment of value added tax;

AND WHEREAS, in its judgment of 20 October, 1993 in Case C-10/92 *Maurizio Balocchi v Ministero delle Finanze dello Stato*, the Court of Justice of the European Communities held that, while interim payments were permissible, they could not be used to require a taxable person to make payment where the value added tax had not become chargeable;

NOW, I, BERTIE AHERN, Minister for Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by <u>section 3</u> of the <u>European Communities Act, 1972</u> (No. 27 of 1972), and for the purpose of giving further effect to Council Directive No. 77/388/EEC of 17 May, 1977, as last amended by Council Directive No. 92/111/EEC of 14 December, 1992, hereby make the following Regulations:

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Communities (Value-Added Tax) Regulations, 1993.
- (2) These Regulations shall be construed together with the Value-Added Tax Acts 1972 to 1993.
- 2. In these Regulations—
- ¹O.J. No. L145, 13 June 1977, p.1.
- ²O.J. No. L384, 30 December 1992, p.47.

"advance payment" means the advance payment referred to in section 19 (6) of the Principal Act;

"due date" means the due date referred to in section 19 (6) of the Principal Act;

"November liability" means—