STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2015 No. 1926

CULTURAL OBJECTS

The Return of Cultural Objects (Amendment) Regulations 2015

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The Secretary of State is a Minister designated(**1**) for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972(**2**) in relation to the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a member State.

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by that section, makes the following Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Return of Cultural Objects (Amendment) Regulations 2015 and come into force on 18th December 2015.

Amendment of Return of Cultural Objects Regulations 1994

2.—(1) The Return of Cultural Objects Regulations 1994(**3**) are amended as follows.

(2) For regulation 2(1) (interpretation) substitute—

> "**2.**—(1) In these Regulations "the Directive" means Directive 2014/60/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State and amending Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012(**4**) (Recast)(**5**).".

(3) In regulation 2(2) for "Article 1" substitute "Article 2".

(4) Omit regulation 2(3).

(5) In regulation 3(5) for "two" substitute "six".

(**1**) S.I. 1992/1711, to which there are amendments not relevant to these Regulations.
(**2**) 1972 c. 68.
(**3**) S.I. 1994/501, amended by S.I. 1997/1719 and 2001/3972.
(**4**) Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on administrative cooperation through the Internal Market Information System and repealing Commission Decision 2008/49/EC, OJ No L 316, 14.11.2012, p. 1.
(**5**) OJ No L 159, 28.5.2014, p. 1, corrected in the corrigendum published in OJ No L 147, 12.6.2015, p. 24.