Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 23FA(4) of the Police Act 1996, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2012 No.

POLICE, ENGLAND AND WALES

The Police (Collaboration: Specified Function) Order 2012

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Coming into force in accordance with article 1

The Secretary of State makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 23FA(1), (2) and (6) of the Police Act 1996(**1**).

In accordance with section 23FA(4) of that Act, a draft of this Order was laid before Parliament and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Police (Collaboration: Specified Function) Order 2012, and shall come into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

Police air support

2. The Secretary of State specifies the provision of police air support as a police function to be exercised in relation to all police areas in accordance with police collaboration provision contained in a single collaboration agreement which relates to all of those police areas.

3. For the purposes of article 2 "the provision of police air support" includes—

(a) the operation of aircraft by and on behalf of police forces;

(b) the provision of staff, aircraft, equipment, air bases, ground control facilities, maintenance facilities and other resources necessary for such air operations;

(c) the maintenance of arrangements for the management of such air operations.

Home Office Minister of State

(**1**) 1996 c. 16. Section 23FA was inserted by section 89(3) of the Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act 2011 (c. 13).