Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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EUROPEAN UNION

The European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Republic of Korea Free Trade Agreement) Order 2011

Made - - - - 2011

Coming into force in accordance with Article 2

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the *** day of *** 2011

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972(**1**), a draft of this Order was laid before and approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the European Union (Definition of Treaties) (Republic of Korea Free Trade Agreement) Order 2011.

2. This Order comes into force on the date on which the agreement referred to in Article 3 enters into force for the United Kingdom(**2**).

3. The Free Trade Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Korea, of the other part, signed on 6th October 2010(**3**), is to be regarded as an EU Treaty as defined in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

(**1**) 1972 c. 68. The references to "the EU" and "the EU Treaties" in sections 1(2) and (3) of the European Communities Act 1972 were inserted by the European Union (Amendment) Act 2008, s 3(1) and (3), Schedule Pt 1.

(**2**) This date will be notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes. It will also be possible to find out the date on which the agreement referred to in Article 3 enters into force for the United Kingdom by referring to the relevant page on UK Treaties Online which is part of the Foreign & Commonwealth Office's public website. The link to that page is: http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/treaties/treaties-landing/records/14400/14438.

(**3**) OJ No L 127, 14.5.11, p6.