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

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2009 No.

EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

The European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (1996 Hague Convention on Protection of Children etc.) Order 2009

Made - - - - ***

Coming into force - - ***

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

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

In accordance with section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972 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 by section 1(3) of the European Communities Act 1972(**1**), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the European Communities (Definition of Treaties) (1996 Hague Convention on Protection of Children etc.) Order 2009, and shall come into force 14 days after the day on which it is made.

Specification as one of the Community Treaties

2. The Convention on Jurisdiction, Applicable Law, Recognition, Enforcement and Co-operation in Respect of Parental Responsibility and Measures for the Protection of Children signed in the Hague on 19 October 1996(**2**) is to be regarded as one of the Community Treaties as defined in section 1(2) of the European Communities Act 1972.

(**1**) 1972 c.68
(**2**) Cm 7727