Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 112(4)(b) of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002, for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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2003 No.

IMMIGRATION

Asylum (Designated States) (No. 2) Order 2003

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Coming into force in accordance with article 1

Whereas a draft of this Order has been laid before and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament;

And whereas the Secretary of State is satisfied that there is in general in the States listed in article 2 no serious risk of persecution of persons entitled to reside in those States and that removal to those States of persons entitled to reside there will not in general contravene the United Kingdom's obligations under the Human Rights Convention;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 94(5) of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002(**1**), the Secretary of State hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Asylum (Designated States) (No. 2) Order 2003 and shall come into force on the day after it is made, but shall not apply in relation to an asylum claim or human rights claim made prior to the commencement of this Order.

Designated States

2. The States listed below shall be added to the list of States in section 94(4) of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002(**2**):

"(r) Bangladesh,

(s) Bolivia,

(t) Brazil,

(u) Ecuador,

(v) Sri Lanka,

(w) South Africa, and

(**1**) 2002 c. 41.

(**2**) Section 94(4) was amended by the Asylum (Designated States) Order 2003 (S.I.2003/970).