STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2006 No. 44

DANGEROUS DRUGS

The Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006

Made - - - - 15th February 2006

Coming into operation 8th March 2006

The Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety makes the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 7, 10, 22 and 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971(**1**), as adapted by section 38 of that Act and now vested in it(**2**).

In accordance with section 31(3) of that Act it has consulted with the Advisory Council on the Misuse of Drugs.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Misuse of Drugs (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006 and shall come into operation on 8th March 2006.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these regulations as it applies to an act of the Assembly.

Amendment of the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002

3. In Part I of Schedule 4 to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002(**4**) (which specifies some of the controlled drugs that are subject to the requirements of regulations 22, 23, 26 and 27 and for which provision is made by certain other regulations), in paragraph 1 after "4-Hydroxy-n-butyric acid" insert "Ketamine"(**5**).

(**1**) 1971 c. 38. Section 22 of that Act was amended by section 177(1) of, and paragraph 12 of Schedule 4 to, the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 (c. 2).
(**2**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973 No. 504; Article 5(a) and S.I. 1999/283 (N.I. 1); Article 3(6)
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**4**) S.R. 2002 No. 1, to which there are a number of amendments. The substance 4-Hydroxy-n-butyric acid was inserted into paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 4 to the Misuse of Drugs Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2002 by S.R. 2003 No. 314
(**5**) The substance Ketamine was inserted into Part 3 of Schedule 2 to the Misuse of Drugs Act 1971, which specifies drugs which are subject to control under that Act as Class C drugs, by S.I. 2005/3178