Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 71(9) of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000, for approval by resolution of each House.

DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2007 No.

INVESTIGATORY POWERS

The Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Investigation of Protected Electronic Information: Code of Practice) Order 2007

Made - - - -	*2007*
Coming into force - -	*1st October 2007*

This Order is made in exercise of the powers conferred by section 71(5) of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000(**a**).

The Secretary of State:

(1) has, in accordance with section 71(3) of that Act, prepared and published a draft code of practice relating to the exercise and performance of the powers and duties that are conferred or imposed otherwise than on the Surveillance Commissioners by or under Part 3 of that Act and considered representations made to him about it; and

(2) has, in accordance with section 71(4) of that Act, laid before both Houses of Parliament a draft of that code revised to take account of those representations.

A draft of this Order has been approved by resolution of each House of Parliament in accordance with section 71(9) of that Act.

Accordingly, the Secretary of State makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Investigation of Protected Electronic Information: Code of Practice) Order 2007 and shall come into force on 1st October 2007.

2. The code of practice entitled "Investigation of Protected Electronic Information", laid before each House of Parliament in draft on 7th June 2007, relating to the investigation of protected electronic information under Part 3 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000, shall come into force on 1st October 2007.

Name
Minister of State
Home Office
Date

(**a**) 2000 c.23.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order brings into force the code of practice prepared under section 71 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 relating to the investigation of protected electronic information under Part 3 of that Act. Under section 72(1) of that Act, a person exercising any power or duty in relation to which provision may be made by a code of practice under section 71 must, in doing so, have regard to the code's provisions (so far as applicable).

The code of practice will be published by the Stationery Office Limited and copies may be obtained from The Stationery Office Bookshops. It will also be published on the Home Office website at www.homeoffice.gov.uk/ripa/publication-search/ripa-cop/.

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