STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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IMMIGRATION

The Immigration Employment Document (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2004

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The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 122 of the Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002(**a**) hereby makes the following Regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Immigration Employment Document (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2004 and shall come into force on 1st May 2004.

2.—(1) The Immigration Employment Document (Fees) Regulations 2003(**b**) shall be amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 3, the definition of "excepted country" shall be deleted.

(3) For regulation 5, there shall be substituted:

"Exception

5. An application need not be accompanied by a fee if it is made in respect of a person who is a national of a state which has ratified the Council Of Europe Social Charter (signed in Turin on 18th October 1961)(**c**) or the Council of Europe Revised Social Charter (signed in Strasbourg on 3rd May 1996)(**d**).".

(4) In regulation 6, for "5(a)", there shall be substituted "5".

(5) The Schedule is hereby revoked.

Des Browne
Minister of State

Home Office
2nd April 2004

(**a**) 2002 c.41.
(**b**) S.I. 2003/54, as amended by S.I. 2003/1277, S.I. 2003/2447 and S.I. 2003/2626.
(**c**) CETS No. 035.
(**d**) CETS No. 163.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Immigration Employment Document (Fees) Regulations 2003 ("the 2003 Regulations"). The 2003 Regulations impose a requirement that applications for different types of immigration employment document be accompanied by a specified fee and provide exceptions to this requirement. In these Regulations regulation 2(3) replaces the original regulation 5 of the 2003 Regulations with a new regulation 5 that excepts from the fees requirement those applications for an immigration employment document that are made in respect of a national of a state which has ratified the Council Of Europe Social Charter (signed in Turin on 18th October 1961) or the Council of Europe Revised Social Charter (signed in Strasbourg on 3rd May 1996. Regulation 2(4) makes a small consequential change to regulation 6 in order to reflect the new regulation 5. Regulation 2(5) deletes the Schedule to the 2003 Regulations which set out a list of states the nationals of which were excepted from the fees requirement. Regulation 2(2) deletes the definition of "excepted country" from the 2003 Regulations, as that definition was linked to the presence of the Schedule in those Regulations.

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