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NATIONAL SECURITY

The National Security Act 2023 (Applications to Remove a Designation etc.) Regulations 2026

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The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by section 33C(3) and (4) and section 96(1)(b) of the National Security Act 2023(**a**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the National Security Act 2023 (Applications to Remove a Designation etc.) Regulations 2026.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 17th July 2026.

(3) These Regulations extend to England and Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

"the Act" means the National Security Act 2023;

"application" means an application under section 33C(1) of the Act;

"body" means a body designated under section 33A(**b**) of the Act.

Applications under section 33C(1)(a) of the Act

3.—(1) An application under section 33C(1)(a) of the Act must be made in writing and must state—

(a) the name of the body to which the application relates;

(b) whether the application is being made by the body or by a person affected by the designation of the body;

(c) the grounds on which the application is made.

(2) An application made by a body must also state—

(**a**) 2023 c. 32. Section 33C was inserted by section 3(2) of the National Security (State Threats) Act 2026 (c. 24).
(**b**) Section 33A was inserted into the National Security Act 2023 by section 1(2) of the National Security (State Threats) Act 2026.

(a) the name and address of the individual submitting the application;

(b) the position which they hold in the body or their authority to act on behalf of the body.

(3) An application made by a person affected by the designation of a body must also state—

(a) the manner in which the applicant is so affected;

(b) the applicant's name and address;

(c) where the applicant is not an individual, the name and address of the individual submitting the application, and the position which they hold or their authority to act on behalf of the applicant.

(4) An application must be signed—

(a) where the application is made by a body, by the individual referred to in paragraph (2)(a);

(b) where the application is made by a person affected by the designation of the body—

(i) by the applicant, if the applicant is an individual;

(ii) otherwise, by the individual referred to in paragraph (3)(c).

Applications under section 33C(1)(b) of the Act

4.—(1) An application under section 33C(1)(b) must be made in writing and must state—

(a) the name of the body;

(b) the alternative name to which the application relates;

(c) whether the application is being made by the body or by a person affected by the designation of the body;

(d) the grounds on which the application is being made.

(2) An application made by a body must also state—

(a) the name and address of the individual submitting the application;

(b) the position which they hold in the body or their authority to act on behalf of the body.

(3) An application made by a person affected by the designation of the body must also state—

(a) the manner in which the applicant is so affected;

(b) the applicant's name and address;

(c) where the applicant is not an individual, the name and address of the individual submitting the application, and the position which they hold or their authority to act on behalf of the applicant.

(4) An application must be signed—

(a) where made by a body, by the individual referred to in paragraph (2)(a);

(b) where made by a person affected by the designation of the body—

(i) by the applicant, if the applicant is an individual;

(ii) otherwise, by the individual referred to in paragraph (3)(c).

Address for sending or delivery

5. An application must be sent or delivered to the Directorate for State Threats and Cyber ("the Directorate"), Homeland Security Group, Home Office, 2 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 4DF.

Change of address

6. An individual whose name and address are stated in an application in accordance with regulation 3(2)(a), (3)(b) or (3)(c) or regulation 4(2)(a), (3)(b) or (3)(c) must inform the Directorate if their address changes before they are informed of the determination of the application.

Period of determination

7. The Secretary of State must determine an application within a period of 90 days beginning with the day after the day on which the Directorate receives the application.

Refusal of application

8. Where the Secretary of State refuses an application, the Secretary of State must as soon as practicable—

(a) inform the applicant of the refusal;

(b) notify the applicant of the procedures for appealing against the refusal to the Commission(**a**).

Angela Eagle
Minister of State
Home Office

9th July 2026

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations prescribe the procedure for applications to the Secretary of State for the exercise of the power under section 33A of the National Security Act 2023 (c. 32) to remove the designation of a body or remove an alternative name included in the designation of a body.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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(**a**) See section 33D(1) of the National Security Act 2023, inserted by section 3 of the National Security (State Threats) Act 2026.

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