

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2

EXTRA-TERRITORIAL MATTERS

PART 1

ENGLISH AND WELSH MARRIAGES OF SAME SEX COUPLES: TREATMENT IN SCOTLAND AND NORTHERN IRELAND

Northern Ireland

- 2 (1) Under the law of Northern Ireland, a marriage of a same sex couple under the law of England and Wales is to be treated as a civil partnership formed under the law of England and Wales (and accordingly, the spouses are to be treated as civil partners).
- (2) The Secretary of State may by order—
- (a) provide for the treatment of a marriage as a civil partnership (by virtue of sub-paragraph (1)) to have effect subject to provision made by the order;
 - (b) specify cases in which a marriage is not to be treated as a civil partnership by virtue of sub-paragraph (1).