

SCHEDULE 4

Amendments to the Immigration Act 2014

2. In section 48 (decision whether to investigate)—
 - (a) after subsection (1A)(1) insert—

“(1B) This section also applies if—

 - (a) a district registrar refers a proposed marriage to the Secretary of State under section 3F of the Marriage (Scotland) Act 1977, or
 - (b) a district registrar refers a proposed civil partnership to the Secretary of State under section 88F of the Civil Partnership Act 2004.”;
 - (b) after subsection (8B)(2) insert—

“(8C) In the case of a proposed marriage referred to the Secretary of State as mentioned in subsection (1B)(a), the Secretary of State must give notice of the decision made under this section to—

 - (a) both of the parties to the proposed marriage, and
 - (b) the district registrar who referred the proposed marriage to the Secretary of State.

(8D) In the case of a proposed civil partnership referred to the Secretary of State as mentioned in subsection (1B)(b), the Secretary of State must give the notice of the decision made under this section to—

 - (a) both of the parties to the proposed civil partnership, and
 - (b) the district registrar who referred the proposed civil partnership to the Secretary of State.”

(1) Subsection (1A) is inserted by a parallel extension order in respect of Northern Ireland (the Referral and Investigation of Proposed Marriages and Civil Partnerships (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 (S.I. 2015/395)) (“Northern Ireland Order”).

(2) Subsection (8B) is inserted by paragraph 2 of Schedule 4 to the Northern Ireland Order.