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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2020 No. 1139**

**The Alternative Dispute Resolution for Consumer Disputes (Extension of Time Limits for Legal Proceedings) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020**

**PART 2**

Amendment of primary legislation

**Amendment of the Foreign Limitation Periods Act 1984**

4.—(1) The Foreign Limitation Periods Act 1984<sup>(1)</sup> is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (1) of section 1B (extension of limitation periods because of alternative dispute resolution in certain cross-border or domestic contractual disputes)—

(a) omit paragraph (a);

(b) for paragraph (b) substitute—

“(b) “ADR entity” means a person whose name appears on a list maintained in accordance with regulation 10 of the Alternative Dispute Resolution for Consumer Disputes (Competent Authorities and Information) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 2015/542);”;

(c) for paragraph (d) substitute—

“(d) “ADR procedure” means a procedure for the out-of-court resolution of disputes through the intervention of an ADR entity which proposes or imposes a solution or brings the parties together with the aim of facilitating an amicable solution;”;

(d) after paragraph (d) insert—

“(da) “consumer” means an individual acting for purposes which are wholly or mainly outside that individual’s trade, business, craft or profession;”;

(e) for paragraph (f) substitute—

“(f) “relevant dispute” means a dispute that—

(i) concerns obligations under a sales contract or a service contract, and

(ii) is between a trader established in the United Kingdom or the European Union and a consumer resident in the United Kingdom,

which the parties attempt to settle by recourse to a non-binding ADR procedure;”;

(f) after paragraph (f) insert—

“(g) “sales contract” means a contract under which a trader transfers, or agrees to transfer, the ownership of goods to a consumer and the consumer pays, or agrees

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(1) 1984 c. 16. Section 1B was inserted by S.I. 2015/1392.

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to pay, the price, including any contract that has both goods and services as its object;

- (h) “service contract” means a contract, other than a sales contract, under which a trader supplies, or agrees to supply, a service to a consumer and the consumer pays, or agrees to pay, the price;
- (i) “trader” means a person acting for purposes relating to that person’s trade, business, craft or profession, whether acting personally or through another person acting in the trader’s name or on the trader’s behalf.”.