

NOTIFICATION TO THE SCOTTISH PARLIAMENT

- **The name of the instrument in question (if known) or a title describing the policy area**

'The European Structural and Investment Funds Common Provisions and Common Provision Rules etc. (Amendment) (EU Exit) (Revocation) Regulations 2020'.

- **A brief explanation of law that the proposals amend**

Revokes a previous SI (2019/625) which was intended to revoke European regulations in the event of a 'no deal' exit from the European Union and allow for funds to continue to be paid in that scenario.

While the programmes nominally end in December 2020, the N+3 principle within European regulations allows activity and claims to continue beyond this date. The ultimate deadline is 31 December 2023, by which time Scottish Government must have submitted final claims to the European Commission.

- **Summary of the proposals and how these correct deficiencies**

As the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 was passed in January 2020 and retains all European regulations within UK law, this the proposed changes are no longer required.

- **An explanation of why the change is considered necessary**

The previous SI was only required in the event of a 'no deal' exit and is therefore redundant.

- **Scottish Government categorisation of significance of proposals**

Category A.

- **Impact on devolved areas**

The European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 ensures Scottish Government is able to continue to award and distribute European Funds.

- **Summary of stakeholder engagement/consultation**

Given that the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 ensures Scottish Government is able to continue to award and distribute European Funds, there is no impact on recipients of funding.

- **A note of other impact assessments, (if available)**

n/a

- **Summary of reasons for Scottish Ministers' proposing to consent to UK Ministers legislating**

This SI would revoke a previous SI, which has been made redundant by the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020.

- **Intended laying date (if known) of instruments likely to arise**

UK Government's intention is to lay the SI on 18 May, allowing 28 days from 2 April to 15 May.

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- **If the Scottish Parliament does not have 28 days to scrutinise Scottish Minister's proposal to consent, why not?**

n/a

- **Information about any time dependency associated with the proposal.**

n/a

- **Any significant financial implications**

No impact as the European Union (Withdrawal Agreement) Act 2020 ensures Scottish Government is able to continue to award and distribute European Funds.

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