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**GAME AND WILD BIRDS (AMENDMENT)  
ORDINANCE 2014**

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An Ordinance to amend the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008

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*9 June 2014*

**ADMINISTRATOR**

**BE** it enacted by the Administrator of the Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia as follows:-

**Short title and commencement**

- 1.—(1) This Ordinance may be cited as the Game and Wild Birds (Amendment) Ordinance 2014.
- (2) This Ordinance comes into force on the day after it is published in the Gazette.

**Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008 amended**

- 2.—The Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008(a) is amended in accordance with section 3.

**New section 48A inserted**

3. The following section is inserted after section 48—

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(a) Ordinance 21/2008 as amended by Ordinances 3/2009, 17/2009, 29/2009, 34/2010 and 8/2013.

**“48A. Control of foxes and alien species**

(1) Subject to subsection (2), the Chief Officer may grant a permit in writing permitting a police officer, a game warden or a person authorised under section 49, to shoot, kill, capture, pursue or otherwise control the following species—

- (a) fox (*Vulpes vulpes*);
- (b) any alien species.

(2) The Chief Officer must not grant a permit to control a species unless the Chief Officer has been advised by the Scientific Committee or the Senior Environmental Adviser for the Sovereign Base Areas Administration that—

- (a) the damage caused or being caused by the species to other species or to the environment is significant; and
- (b) no other practically effective measure is available.

(3) A permit granted under subsection (1) may be subject to such conditions as the Chief Officer considers necessary.”.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Ordinance)*

### Introduction

1. This explanatory note relates to the Game and Wild Birds (Amendment) Ordinance 2014 (the “Ordinance”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader of the Order. It does not form part of the Ordinance.
2. This note should be read in conjunction with the Ordinance. It is not, and is not meant to be, a comprehensive description of the Ordinance. So, when a section or part of a section does not seem to require any explanation or comment, none is given.

### The Ordinance

3. Section 3 of the Ordinance amends the Game and Wild Birds Ordinance 2008 (“the principal Ordinance”) by inserting section 48A. This provision enables the Chief Officer to grant a written permit so that foxes and alien species may be controlled. Alien species is defined in section 2 of the principal Ordinance. The Chief Officer may only issue a permit if the Administration’s Environmental Department or the Republic’s Scientific Committee has advised that the particular species has or is causing damage and it cannot be controlled effectively and practically by alternative measures.

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