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PREVENTION OF FIRES IN OPEN COUNTRY (AMENDMENT NO.2) ORDINANCE 2014

An Ordinance to amend the Prevention of Fires in Open Country Ordinance 1989

R.J. CRIPWELL ADMINISTRATOR

11 December 2014

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

Short title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Prevention of Fires in Open Country (Amendment No. 2) Ordinance 2014.

Commencement

2. This Ordinance comes into force on the day after it is published in the Gazette.

Amendment to section 4 of Prevention of Fires in Open Country Ordinance 1989

3.—(1) Section 4 of the Prevention of Fires in Open Country Ordinance 1989(**a**) is amended as follows.

(2) For subsection (3)(a) substitute—

"(a) during the period starting on 1 December and ending on 15 March for the purpose of burning cuttings from vines, from olive trees or from fruit trees;".

⁽a) Ordinance 13/1989. Section 4 was repealed and substituted by Ordinance 17/2006. Ordinances 20/2010 and 3/2013 made temporary amendments to section 4(3)(a). These Ordinances have expired.

(3) After subsection (5) add—

"(6) By order made as a public instrument, the Chief Officer may shorten the period specified in subsection (3)(a), but the shorter period must include the months of December and January."

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Ordinance)

- 1. This explanatory note relates to the Prevention of Fires in Open Country (Amendment No. 2) 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 Ordinance. It does not form part of the Ordinance.
- 2. Under section 4(3)(a) of the Prevention of Fires in Open Country Ordinance 1989 (the "principal Ordinance") the burning of cuttings from vines, olive trees or fruit trees is permitted during the months of December and January, providing the person lighting the fire obtains a licence from an Area Officer. The Republic has extended the period to allow fires for such purposes from 1 December until 15 March for a temporary period, ending on 15 March 2015. This temporary extension follows two previous temporary extensions.
- 3. The Ordinance amends the principal Ordinance so as to extend the period until 15 March each year. The Chief Officer has the power to make an order shortening the period during which fires may be lit, but any shorter period must include the months of December and January. An order must be made as a public instrument.

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