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**REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS (CODES OF PRACTICE) ORDER 2012**

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The Administrator makes the following Order in exercise of the powers in section 38 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Ordinance 2012(a).

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice) Order 2012.

**Coming into force of Codes of Practice issued under section 38 of Regulation of Investigatory Powers Ordinance 2012**

2. (1) The Code of Practice on Covert Surveillance and Property Interference(b) issued on 31 October 2012 under section 38 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Ordinance 2012 comes into force on 1 November 2012.

(2) The Code of Practice on Covert Human Intelligence Sources(c) issued on 31 October 2012 under section 38 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Ordinance 2012 comes into force on 1 November 2012.

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Dated this 31st day of October 2012.

By the Administrator's Command,

J. S. Wright,

Chief Officer,

Sovereign Base Areas.

(SBA/AG/2/CG/581/2)

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**Notes**

(a) Ordinance 26/12.

(b) Public instrument 28/12.

(c) Public instrument 29/12.

## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**(This note does not form part of the Order)**

1. This explanatory note relates to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Codes of Practice) Order 2012 (the “Order”). It has been prepared by the Office of the Attorney-General and Legal Adviser in order to assist the reader and should be read in conjunction with the Order.
2. Section 38 of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Ordinance 2012 enables the Administrator to issue Codes of Practice. A person exercising a power or performing a duty in relation to which provision is made by a Code of Practice must have regard to the Codes of Practice (section 39(1)).
3. The Order brings into force from 1 November 2012—
  - the Code of Practice on Covert Surveillance and Property Interference (Public instrument 28/12);
  - the Code of Practice on Covert Human Intelligence Sources (Public instrument 29/12).