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# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EXEMPTION) ORDER 2023

The Administrator makes the following Order in exercise of the power under section 3(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance 2010(1).

#### Citation and commencement

**1.** This Order may be cited as the Environmental Impact Assessment (Exemption) Order 2023 and comes into force on 18 September 2023.

## Interpretation

**2.** In this Order, "the project" means the photovoltaic developments to be carried out in the Sovereign Base Area of Dhekelia at—

- (a) Ayios Nikolaos Station in the area outlined in blue and hatched in red on a plan dated 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023 titled "Ayios Nikolaos Site"; and
- (b) Dhekelia Station in the area outlined in blue and hatched in red on a plan dated 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023 titled "Dhekelia Site".

#### **Exemption from the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance 2010**

3. The project is exempted from the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance 2010.

#### **Public inspection of the plans**

**4.** The plans referred to in article 2 are available for public inspection during normal working hours at the Area Office for the Sovereign Base Area of Akrotiri and the Area Office for the Sovereign Base Area of Dhekelia.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

PJM Squires OBE, Administrator, Sovereign Base Areas.

<sup>(1)</sup> Ordinance 26/2010, as amended by Ordinances 19/2014, 13/2019 and 11/2022.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

## (This note is not part of the Order)

**1.** This explanatory note relates to the Environmental Impact Assessment (Exemption) Order 2023 (the "Order"). 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 Order and should be read in conjunction with the Order.

**2.** The Order is made under section 3(2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance 2010 (the "Ordinance"). The Order exempts the project, as defined, from the scope of the Ordinance. Section 3(3) of the Ordinance requires the Environment Authority to examine the possible environmental impacts of any exempted project. Section 3(3) also provides for the Environment Authority to make recommendations to reduce the environmental impacts of exempted projects.

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