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I, HELEN MCENTEE, Minister for Justice, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving further effect to Regulation (EU) 2021/784 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2021¹ on addressing the dissemination of terrorist content online, hereby make the following regulations:

- 1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Online Dissemination of Terrorist Content) (Designation of Coimisiún na Meán as a Competent Authority) Regulations 2024.
- (2) These Regulations come into operation on the 27th day of September 2024.
- 2. (1) In these Regulations "Regulation (EU) 2021/784" means Regulation (EU) 2021/784 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2021² on addressing the dissemination of terrorist content online.
- (2) A word or expression that is used in these Regulations and that is also used in Regulation (EU) 2021/784 has, unless the context otherwise requires, the same meaning in these Regulations as it has in Regulation (EU) 2021/784.
- Coimisiún na Meán is designated for the purposes of Article 12(1)(d) of 3. Regulation (EU) 2021/784 as the competent authority that is competent to impose penalties pursuant to Article 18 of Regulation (EU) 2021/784.
- 4. Coimisiún na Meán shall carry out its functions as the competent authority referred to in Regulation 3 –
 - in an objective and non-discriminatory manner, and (a)
 - in a manner that is separate and distinct from the carrying out of (b) its functions as the competent authority referred to in Regulation 3 of the European Union (Online Dissemination of Terrorist Content) (Designation of Coimisiún na Meán as a Competent Authority) Regulations 2023 (S.I. No. 545 of 2023), while fully respecting fundamental rights, and shall be independent in the exercise of those functions.

¹ OJ No. L 172, 17.5.2021, p.79.

² OJ No. L 172, 17.5.2021, p.79.

5. Coimisiún na Meán shall, before 1 March each year, provide the Minister for Justice with the relevant information required to be forwarded to the Commission of the European Union pursuant to Article 21 of Regulation (EU) 2021/784.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 25 September, 2024.

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