SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR GAZETTE

No. 4794 GIBRALTAR Thursday 17th December 2020

LEGAL NOTICE NO. 455 OF 2020

EUROPEAN UNION (WITHDRAWAL) ACT 2019

CIVIL PARTNERSHIP (JURISDICTION AND JUDGMENTS) (AMENDMENT ETC.) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Minister by section 11 of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2019, the Minister has made these Regulations-

Title.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Partnership (Jurisdiction and Judgments) (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020.

Commencement.

2. These Regulations come into operation on IP completion day.

Amendment to the Civil Partnership Rules 2014.

3.(1) The Civil Partnership Rules 2014 are amended in accordance with this regulation.

(2) In rule 84(1)-

- (a) before "a Member State" insert "the United Kingdom or";
- (b) for "that State", substitute "that court".

(3) In rule 89, insert "the United Kingdom or" before "a Member State" on both occasions it occurs.

Dated: 17th December 2020.

S. SACRAMENTO, Minister for Justice.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

These Regulations are made in exercise of the powers in section 11(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2019 in order to address failures of retained EU law to operate effectively and other deficiencies arising from the withdrawal of Gibraltar from the European Union.

These Regulations make amendments to the Civil Partnership Rules 2014 to allow for the continued recognition of judgments under EU Regulation 2201/2003 concerning jurisdiction and the recognition and enforcement of judgments in matrimonial matters and the matters of parental responsibility.