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# THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

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| **TITLE**  | **The European Institutions and Consular Protection (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018** |
| **DATE**  | **27 November 2018** |
| **BY** | **Julie James AM, Leader of the House and Chief Whip** |

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**The retained EU Law which is being amended**

Repeals and savings of relevant directly effective treaty rights preserved under section 4(1) of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

EEC Council: Regulation No 1 determining the languages to be used by the European Economic Community.

References in retained EU Law to the official languages and working languages of the European Atomic Energy Community.

Regulation (EEC, Euratom) No 1182/71 of the Council of 3rd June 1971 determining rules applicable to periods, dates and time limits.

Revocation of miscellaneous direct retained EU legislation, as set out in the Schedule

**Any impact the SI may have on the Assembly’s legislative competence and/or the Welsh Ministers’ executive competence**

This SI will have no effect on the Assembly’s legislative competence or the Welsh Ministers’ executive competence.

**The purpose of the amendments**

The purpose of the amendments is to correct deficiencies in legislation arising from the UK leaving the European Union relating to the functioning of the institutions of the European Union

The SI and accompanying Explanatory Memorandum, setting out the effect of each amendment is available here: <https://www.gov.uk/eu-withdrawal-act-2018-statutory-instruments/the-european-institutions-and-consular-protection-amendment-etc-eu-exit-regulations-2018>

**Why consent was given**

Consent has been given for the UK Government to make these corrections in relation to, and on behalf of, Wales for reasons of efficiency, expediency and due to the technical nature of the amendments. The amendments have been considered fully; and there is no divergence in policy. These amendments are to ensure that the statute book remains functional following the UK’s exit from the EU. This is in line with the principles for correcting agreed by the Cabinet Sub-Committee on European Transition in May.