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I, PASCHAL DONOHOE, Minister for Finance, 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 Council Regulation (EC) No. 1338/2001 of 28 June 2001<sup>1</sup> laying down measures necessary for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting, as amended by Council Regulation (EC) No. 44/2009 of 18 December 2008<sup>2</sup>, Regulation (EU) No. 1210/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010<sup>3</sup> concerning authentication of euro coins and handling of euro coins unfit for circulation and Decision ECB/2010/14 of the European Central Bank of 16 September 2010<sup>4</sup> on the authenticity and fitness checking and recirculation of euro banknotes, as amended by Decision ECB/ 2012/19 of 7 September 2012<sup>5</sup> and by Decision ECB/2019/2195 of 5 December 2019<sup>6</sup>; hereby make the following regulations:

1. (1) These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Counterfeiting of Euro) Regulations 2021.

(2) These Regulations shall come into operation on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of August 2021.

2. The Central Bank Act 1942 (No. 22 of 1942) is amended -

(a) in section 2(2A) –

- (i) in paragraph (ba) (inserted by Regulation 5 of the European Union (Sustainability-related Disclosures in the Financial Services Sector) Regulations 2021 (S.I. No. 146 of 2021)), by the substitution of “2019;” for “2019.”, and
- (ii) by the insertion of the following paragraphs after paragraph (ba):

“(bb) Council Regulation (EC) No. 1338/2001 of 28 June 2001<sup>1</sup> laying down measures necessary for the protection of the euro against counterfeiting, as amended by Council Regulation (EC) No. 44/2009 of 18 December 2008<sup>2</sup>;

(bc) Regulation (EU) No. 1210/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 December 2010<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> OJ No. L181, 4.7.2001, p.6

<sup>2</sup> OJ No. L17, 22.1.2009, p.1

<sup>3</sup> OJ No. L339, 22.12.2010, p.1

<sup>4</sup> OJ No. L267, 9.10.2010, p.1

<sup>5</sup> OJ No. L253, 20.9.2012, p.19

<sup>6</sup> OJ No. L330, 20.12.2019, p.91

concerning authentication of euro coins and handling of euro coins unfit for circulation;

- (bd) Decision ECB/2010/14 of the European Central Bank of 16 September 2010<sup>4</sup> on the authenticity and fitness checking and recirculation of euro banknotes, as amended by Decision ECB/2012/19 of 7 September 2012<sup>5</sup> and by Decision ECB/2019/2195 of 5 December 2019<sup>6</sup>.”,

and

- (b) in Part 1 of Schedule 2 by the insertion of the following:  
“49 No. 16 of 2021 Counterfeiting Act 2021 Part 3”.

GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
26 July, 2021.

PASCHAL DONOHOE,  
Minister for Finance.

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