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## **XOOM -The Hallmarking (International Convention) Order 2000**

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**1. Structured Information Line**

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**2. Member State**

United Kingdom.

**3. Department Responsible**

Department of Trade and Industry  
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**3. Originating Department**

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**4. Notification Number**

2000/581/UK



## **5. Title**

XOOM -The Hallmarking (International Convention) Order 2000

## **6. Products Concerned**

Articles of precious metal

## **7. Notification Under Another Act**

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## **8. Main Content**

The draft Order designates the marks to be used by other signatories to the Convention to enable these marks, when incorporated in the Common Control Mark, to be recognised in the United Kingdom. Articles of precious metal bearing the Convention mark (comprising the sponsor's mark, Common Control Mark, standard of fineness and Assay Office mark) will thus be recognised by all Member countries in the Convention without the need for re-hallmarking.

## **9. Brief Statement of Grounds**

The draft Order revokes the Hallmarking (International Convention) Order 1976 which implemented the Convention on the Control and Marking of Articles of Precious Metals signed in 1972. The Order will enable formal recognition under UK law of the Control mark deposited by the Netherlands Assay Office under the terms of the 1972 International Hallmarking Convention. Recognition of the Netherlands mark will place it on the same footing as those countries which have previously acceded to the Convention by permitting articles of precious metal bearing the Netherlands mark to circulate freely within the UK without the need for re-hallmarking in the UK. At the same time, the Order consolidates a number of amendments which had been made to the 1976 Order.

## **10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts**

The Hallmarking (International Convention) Order 2000  
Schedules 1 and 2 of the Order

## **11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure**

No.

## **12. Grounds for the Emergency**

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## **13. Confidentiality**

No.

## **14. Fiscal measures**

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