

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Australian Citizenship Act 2007

INSTRUMENT OF AUTHORISATION 2015

(Subsection 27(5))

1. This Instrument is made under subsection 27(5) of the *Australian Citizenship Act 2007* (the Act).
2. The Instrument Revokes Instrument number IMMI 11/079 (F2011L02759) under subsection 33(3) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1901*.
3. The purpose of the Instrument is to update the existing arrangements of authorised persons and classes of persons to be eligible to receive a pledge of commitment.
4. The Instrument operates to allow authorised persons to receive the pledge of commitment. Subsection 26(1) of the Act requires that a person must make a pledge of commitment to become an Australian citizen unless they meet the requirements set out in paragraphs 26(1)(a), or (b) or (c). A person required to make a pledge of commitment becomes an Australian citizen on the day on which the pledge of commitment is made.
5. Pursuant to subsection 18(1) of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* consultation was not necessary. The Instrument is of minor or machinery of nature and does not substantially alter existing arrangements.
6. The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) has advised that a Regulatory Impact Statement is not required (OBPR reference 17325).
7. Under section 44 of the *Legislative Instruments Act 2003* the Instrument is exempt from disallowance and therefore a Statement of Compatibility with Human Rights is not required.
8. This Instrument commences on the day after registration on the Federal Register of Legislative Instruments.