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**NOTICE TO REVOKE DESIGNATION OF AGE-VERIFICATION REGULATOR UNDER
DIGITAL ECONOMY ACT 2017**

The Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport hereby revokes, in exercise of the power in section 16(3)(a) of the Digital Economy Act 2017 ("the 2017 Act"), the designation of the British Board of Film Classification as the age verification regulator made under section 16(1) of the 2017 Act on 21 February 2018 for the purposes of the following functions:

- a. section 18 (regulator's power to require information);
- b. section 19(2) and (11) (enforcement by regulator of section 14);
- c. section 21 (notice by regulator to payment-services providers and ancillary service providers);
- d. section 23 (regulator's power to require internet service providers to block access to material), subject to section 24 (no power to give notice under section 23(1) where detrimental to national security etc);
- e. section 25 (guidance to be published by regulator);
- f. section 26 (exercise of functions by regulator); and
- g. section 28 (requirements for notices given by regulator under this Part) (to the extent that this applies in relation to the giving of notices by the British Board of Film Classification under the provisions listed in this paragraph).

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Minister for Digital and Broadband on behalf of the Secretary of State

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