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I, FRANCES FITZGERALD, Minister for Justice and Equality, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 5 of the Civil Partnership and Certain Rights and Obligations of Cohabitants Act 2010 (No. 24 of 2010) (as adapted by the Justice and Law Reform (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2011 (S.I. No. 138 of 2011)), and having complied with subsection (1) of that section, hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Civil Partnership (Recognition of Registered Foreign Relationships) Order 2016.

2. A class of legal relationship specified in column (3) of the Schedule opposite a reference number specified in column (1) of the Schedule, and entered into by two parties of the same sex, in the jurisdiction specified in column (2) of the Schedule opposite the mention of that reference number in column (1) of the Schedule is declared to be entitled to be recognised as a civil partnership.

Schedule

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GIVEN under my Official Seal,
3 March 2016.

FRANCES FITZGERALD,
Minister for Justice and Equality.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in “Iris Oifigiúil” of 11th March, 2016.
EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation)

This Order declares certain classes of registered foreign relationship to be entitled to be recognised in the State as a civil partnership. The Order is made on the basis of the Minister for Justice and Equality being satisfied that the class of foreign relationship complies with subsection (1) of section 5 of the Civil Partnership and Certain Rights and Obligations of Cohabitants Act 2010