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I, CHARLES FLANAGAN, Minister for Justice and Equality, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by subsection (1) of section 72 of the International Protection Act 2015 (No. 66 of 2015), and being satisfied, in accordance with the section and in relation to each country specified in the Schedule to the following order, as to the matters specified in subsection (2) of the said section 72, hereby order as follows:

1. (1) This Order may be cited as the International Protection Act 2015 (Safe Countries of Origin) Order 2018.

(2) This Order comes into operation on 16 April 2018.

2. The countries specified in the Schedule to this Order are each designated as a safe country of origin for the purposes of the International Protection Act 2015 (No. 66 of 2015).

*Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in  
"Iris Oifigiúil" of 20th April, 2018.*

SCHEDULE

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Georgia

Kosovo

Montenegro

Republic of Albania

Republic of Serbia

Republic of South Africa



GIVEN under my Official Seal,  
16 April 2018.

CHARLES FLANAGAN,  
Minister for Justice and Equality.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order lists the countries designated as safe countries of origin for the purposes of processing applications for international protection made by nationals of those countries under the International Protection Act 2015.

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