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**PROHIBITION OF DEPLETED URANIUM WEAPONS BILL
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As passed by Seanad Éireann*

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entitled

AN ACT TO GIVE EFFECT TO THE PROHIBITION OF THE
USE, STOCKPILING, PRODUCTION AND TRANSFER OF
WEAPONS OF DEPLETED URANIUM.

10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

1.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Prohibition of Depleted Uranium Weapons Act 2009. Short title and commencement.

15 (2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the Minister for Foreign Affairs may, by order or orders, appoint either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision, and different days may be so appointed for different purposes or different provisions.

20 2.—(1) “Uranium weapon” means a mechanism which serves to destroy or damage objects and uses uranium in its mode of action. Definitions.
Excluded from this definition are weapons that incorporate uranium and whose primary tactical purpose in this incorporation is the production, flux, or enhancement, of nuclear fission or fusion.

(2) “Uranium armour-plate” means armour that contains uranium to make the armour harder and more resistant to penetration.

25 3.—(1) The State or agencies of the State are prohibited to: Legislative Measures.

(a) test, develop, produce, otherwise acquire, stockpile, sell, deploy, retain or transfer, directly or indirectly, uranium ammunition, uranium armour-plate or other uranium weapons to anyone;

30 (b) use uranium ammunition, uranium armour-plate or other uranium weapons;

(c) acquire or dispose of pre-products for development and production of uranium weapons;

(d) use depleted uranium in any way for military purposes.

(2) The transport, possession, transfer and use of uranium weapons and uranium armour-plate in the territorial waters and exclusive economic zone of the State is prohibited.