



# Extradition Act 2003

## 2003 CHAPTER 41

### PART 1

#### EXTRADITION TO CATEGORY 1 TERRITORIES

##### *The extradition hearing*

#### [<sup>F1</sup>12A Absence of prosecution decision

- (1) A person's extradition to a category 1 territory is barred by reason of absence of prosecution decision if (and only if)—
  - (a) it appears to the appropriate judge that there are reasonable grounds for believing that—
    - (i) the competent authorities in the category 1 territory have not made a decision to charge or have not made a decision to try (or have made neither of those decisions), and
    - (ii) the person's absence from the category 1 territory is not the sole reason for that failure,and
  - (b) those representing the category 1 territory do not prove that—
    - (i) the competent authorities in the category 1 territory have made a decision to charge and a decision to try, or
    - (ii) in a case where one of those decisions has not been made (or neither of them has been made), the person's absence from the category 1 territory is the sole reason for that failure.
- (2) In this section “to charge” and “to try”, in relation to a person and an extradition offence, mean—
  - (a) to charge the person with the offence in the category 1 territory, and
  - (b) to try the person for the offence in the category 1 territory.]

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for the Extradition Act 2003, Section 12A. (See end of Document for details)*

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** S. 12A inserted (21.7.2014) by [Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 \(c. 12\)](#), **ss. 156(2), 185(1)** (with [ss. 3, 21, 33, 42, 58, 75, 93, 156\(3\)](#)); S.I. 2014/1916, art. 2(c)

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