Notice is hereby given that the Lord Chancellor, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by Article 36(3) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981 has made a Statutory Rule entitled the Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings (Costs) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1992.

These rules, which come into operation on 1 January 1993, prescribe the remuneration for solicitors and counsel assigned under Part III (Free Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings) of the Legal Aid, Advice and Assistance (Northern Ireland) Order 1981. They revoke and replace rules dating from 1966 insofar as these prescribe professional remuneration.

Rules 5 and 6 (and Schedule 1) provide for solicitors' fees. They prescribe hourly rates for certain work as well as a system of standard fees covering certain cases in the Crown Court and appeals to the county courts. Rules 8 and 9 (and Schedule 2) make similar provision for counsel's fees, including a system of standard fees for junior counsel.

The Rules also introduce new procedures for the assessment of fees (Rules 3, 4 and 10-15). Initial assessments will be undertaken by a committee drawn from a panel appointed by the Lord Chancellor. In certain cases the fees assessed by the committee will require to be certified by the Master (Taxing Office). A system of redeterminations and appeals is provided enabling solicitors and counsel to challenge the fees assessed in a particular case.

Copies of the rules — Statutory Rules of Northern Ireland 1992 No. 314 — may be obtained from the Government Bookshop, 16 Arthur Street, Belfast BTI 4GD.

FOREIGN AND COMMONWEALTH OFFICE

Notice is hereby given, with reference to article 1 of the Arms Control and Disarmanent (Inspection) (Sovereign Base Areas of Akrotiri and Dhekelia) Order 1991 (No. 2290), that the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe, signed in Paris on 19th November, 1990, will enter into force provisionally on 17th July 1992. A further notice will be published when the Treaty enters into force definitively.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

DISEASES OF ANIMALS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1981

Landing of Carcases and Animal Products Order (Northern Ireland) 1985

Licence No: DANI/GEN/92/57

GENERAL IMPORT LICENCE

The Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland, in accordance with the terms of the above legislation, hereby authorises, subject to the conditions attaching to this licence, the landing in Northern Ireland of:-

Product: Bovine serum albumin.

From: United States of America.

At: Belfast Port.

Belfast International Airport.

until further notice or unless the licence is revoked by the Department.

N. L. Gordon, Officer of the Department of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

Date: 21 July 1992.

CONDITIONS ATTACHING TO THIS LICENCE

1. Each consignment must be accompanied by a certificate signed by a duly authorised Veterinary Officer of the United States Department of Agriculture certifying that:

- (a) The serum was collected from cattle slaughtered at a licensed abbatoir.
- (b) The serum was derived from animals which received veterinary ante-and-postmortem inspection and showed no evidence of contagious or infectious disease.
- (c) The serum was subjected to a temperature of at least 65°C and/or a ph lower than 5.0 for a period of at least 3 hours.
- (d) Precautions were taken to prevent contamination of the final product.
- Twelve working hours notice of arrival in Northern Ireland of each consignment must be given to the Portal Supervisor at Magnet House, 81/93 York Street, Belfast (Telephone Belfast 324681 Ext 2011 or 2012).
- On arrival in Northern Ireland the certificate in respect of the consignment must be presented to and cleared by an Imports Inspector of the Department.
- 4. Any product imported under this licence shall be made available for inspection by an Officer of the Department of Agriculture.

NOTES

Nothing in this licence gives exemption from any prohibition or restriction imposed by the Medicines Act 1968 and 1971, the Imported Food Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 or by any regulation superceding or amending the same.

Any breach of any condition attached to this licence will constitute an offence against the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Education in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 38(6) of the Education Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, has made a Statutory Rule entitled: Secondary Schools (Admission Criteria) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992

The purpose of this Rule is

to prohibit all grant-aided secondary schools from including in their admission criteria the outcome of the pilot assessment arrangements for a pupil in key stage 2 in the 1992/93 school year.

Copies of the Regulations (S.R. 1992 No. 332) may be purchased from the HMSO Bookshop, 16 Arthur Street, Belfast BT1 4GD.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

THE SEX DISCRIMINATION (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1976

EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES COMMISSION FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

MINUTE OF APPOINTMENT

In exercise of the powers conferred on it by and by virtue of Article 54(1) of the Sex Discrimination (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 and paragraph 2(1)(b) of Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974, the Department of Economic Development hereby appoints the following person to be a member of the Equal Opportunities Commission for Northern Ireland, that is to say —

Dr Dennis Kennedy to hold office until 30 June 1995.

The terms and conditions of appointment are as specified in the letter of appointment dated 23 July 1992.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on the 23rd day of July 1992.

Gerry Loughran, Secretary.