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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 1908**

**The Police (Property) Regulations 1997**

6.—(1) After the expiration of the period referred to in regulation 4(2) or 5(2) above, as applicable, property to which these regulations apply (other than money) may be sold.

(2) The proceeds of all sales under these Regulations and any money to which these Regulations apply shall be paid to the relevant authority and shall be kept in a separate account to be called the Police Property Act Fund (“the Fund”).

(3) The Fund or any part thereof, may be invested as the relevant authority think fit and the income derived from the investments shall be added to and become part of the Fund.

(4) The moneys, including income from investments standing to the credit of the Fund shall be applicable—

- (a) to defray expenses incurred in the conveyance, storage and safe custody of the property and in connection with its sale and otherwise in executing these Regulations;
- (b) to pay reasonable compensation, the amount of which shall be fixed by the relevant authority, to persons by whom property has been delivered to the police;
- (c) to make payments of such amounts as the relevant authority may determine for such charitable purposes as they may select.

(5) The Chief Officer of Police may, at the request of the relevant authority, exercise the powers and perform the duties of the authority under the foregoing paragraphs of this regulation.

(6) The Fund shall be audited by an auditor nominated for that purpose by the relevant authority.