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PART II

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SOCIAL SECURITY DECISIONS AND APPEALS

Social fund payments

The social fund Commissioner and inspectors

- 37.**—(1) There shall continue to be an officer known as “the social fund Commissioner”.
- (2) The social fund Commissioner shall be appointed by the Department.
- (3) The social fund Commissioner—
- (a) shall appoint such social fund inspectors; and
 - (b) may appoint such officers and staff for himself and for social fund inspectors,
- as he thinks fit, but with the consent of the Department as to numbers.
- (4) Appointments under paragraph (3) shall be made from persons made available to the social fund Commissioner by the Department.
- (5) It shall be the duty of the social fund Commissioner—
- (a) to monitor the quality of decisions of social fund inspectors and give them such advice and assistance as he thinks fit to improve the standard of their decisions;
 - (b) to arrange such training of social fund inspectors as he considers appropriate; and
 - (c) to carry out such other functions in connection with the work of social fund inspectors as the Department may direct.
- (6) The social fund Commissioner shall report annually in writing to the Department on the standards of reviews by social fund inspectors and the Department shall publish his report.