STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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PART IV

ARREST

Fingerprinting of certain offenders

- **16.**—(1) Article 29 of PACE (fingerprinting of certain offenders) is amended as follows.
- (2) After paragraph (1) insert—
 - "(1A) Where a person convicted of a recordable offence has already had his fingerprints taken as mentioned in sub-paragraph (c) of paragraph (1), that fact (together with any time when he has been in police detention for the offence) shall be disregarded for the purposes of that paragraph if—
 - (a) the fingerprints taken on the previous occasion do not constitute a complete set of his fingerprints; or
 - (b) some or all of the fingerprints taken on the previous occasion are not of sufficient quality to allow satisfactory analysis, comparison or matching.
 - (1B) Paragraphs (1) and (1A) apply where a person has been given a caution in respect of a recordable offence which, at the time of the caution, he has admitted as they apply where a person has been convicted of an offence, and references in this Article to a conviction shall be construed accordingly."