SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 4

STAFF CUSTODY OFFICERS

The Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (NI 12)

- 1.—(1) Article 37 is amended as follows.
- (2) For paragraph (3) substitute—
 - "(3) No person may be appointed a custody officer unless—
 - (a) he is a police officer of at least the rank of sergeant; or
 - (b) he is a staff custody officer.".
- (3) In paragraph (5) for "an officer" substitute "an individual".
- (4) In paragraph (7)—
 - (a) in sub-paragraph (a)—
 - (i) after "by an officer" insert "or a staff custody officer";
 - (ii) for "such an officer" substitute "such a person";
 - (b) in sub-paragraph (b) for "such officer" substitute "such person".
- (5) In paragraph (8)—
 - (a) after "in" insert "Article 35 or in";
 - (b) for "an officer" substitute "a person".
- (6) After paragraph (10) add—
 - "(11) In this Article "staff custody officer" means a person who has been designated as such under section 30 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2003.".
- **2.** In Article 40—
 - (a) in paragraph (6)(a) after "custody officer" insert "(or, if the custody officer is a staff custody officer, any police officer or any member of the police support staff)";
 - (b) after paragraph (6) add—
 - "(7) In paragraph (6)—

"police support staff" has the meaning given by section 4(6) of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000;

"staff custody officer" has the same meaning as in Part 2 of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2003.".