SCHEDULE   Regulation 2(1)

Memorandum of arrangements relating to the provision made for child maintenance bonus in the United Kingdom between the Secretary of State for Social Security of the one part and the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland of the other part

1. In this Memorandum—

"the provision made for Great Britain" means section 10 of the Child Support Act 1995 and regulations made under it; and

"the provision made for Northern Ireland" means Article 4 of the Child Support (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 and regulations made under it.

2.—(1) The provision made for Great Britain and the provision made for Northern Ireland shall operate as a single system within the United Kingdom.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1), all acts, omissions, events and other matters and in particular any application, declaration, direction, decision or order having effect for the provision made for Great Britain and having effect in that territory or for the provision made for Northern Ireland and having effect in that territory, shall have a corresponding effect for the purpose of the provision made for child maintenance bonus in the other territory.

(3) The provisions of this Memorandum shall not confer a right to double benefit.

3. The Secretary of State and the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland may from time to time determine the administrative procedures appropriate for the purposes of giving effect to this Memorandum.

4. The arrangements in this Memorandum shall come into effect on 7th April 1997 but either Party may terminate them by giving not less than six months' notice in writing to the other.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Social Security on the 18th day of February 1997.

Andrew Mitchell
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Social Security

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland on the 20th day of February 1997.

Alan Elliott
Permanent Secretary