## SCHEDULES

#### **SCHEDULE 3**

# THE COMMITTEE: PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS

### PART 1

### Constitution of the Committee

- 1. The Committee appointed by the Minister shall consist of—
  - (a) a chairperson;
  - (b) two members as appears to the Minister to be appropriate;
  - (c) five members appointed after consultation with such organisations as may be recognised by the Minister as representative of employing authorities; and
  - (d) five members appointed after consultation with such organisations as may be recognised by the Minister as representative of employees affected by the Scheme.
- 2.—(1) Subject to the provisions in sub-paragraph (2) and paragraph 5, the term of office of a member of the Committee ("Committee member") shall be four years from the date of that Committee member's appointment.
- (2) The Minister may extend the term of office of a Committee member or the chairperson of the Committee by a maximum period of eighteen months.
- 3. The quorum of the Committee shall be six, or such other number as the Committee may, with the approval of the Department, determine.
- 4. The Committee may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its numbers so long as the number of vacancies does not exceed the number of remaining Committee members.
- 5. A casual vacancy occurring in the membership of the Committee shall be filled by the Minister after consultation with the Committee, and a person so appointed shall hold office for the residue of the term of the Committee member in whose place that person was appointed.
- 6. A Committee member may resign that Committee member's membership by giving notice in writing, signed by the Committee member, to the Minister.
- 7. Where any Committee member is absent from the meetings thereof for more than six months consecutively (except for a reason approved by the Minister) or becomes bankrupt or makes a composition with creditors or is convicted of an indictable offence, the Committee shall forthwith by resolution declare the office to be vacant and shall notify that fact in such a manner as it thinks fit, and thereupon the office shall become vacant.
- 8. A Committee member on vacating office at the expiry of the term thereof shall (subject to the foregoing provisions of this Schedule) be eligible for re-appointment.
- 9. No defect in the appointment of any person acting as a Committee member shall vitiate any proceedings of the Committee in which that person has taken part.