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The Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 2003

PART III

GRANTS, &c. FOR RENEWAL OF PRIVATE SECTOR HOUSING CHAPTER VI

SUPPLEMENTARY PROVISIONS

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119.—(1) The provisions of Chapter II (main grants) mentioned below do not apply to—

- (a) an application for a grant by a religious denomination or body, or on behalf of a religious denomination or body by the trustees of the denomination or body; and
- (b) an application for a grant made by a charity or on behalf of a charity by the trustees of the charity.
- (2) Those provisions are—
 - (a) Articles 40 to 42 (conditions for application for renovation grant);
 - (b) Articles 50, 52 and 53 (conditions for application for disabled facilities grant);
 - (c) Articles 56 and 57 (conditions for application for HMO grant).

(3) In considering under Article 62 the amount (if any) of the grant where the applicant is a charity or the application is in respect of a religious denomination, the Executive shall have regard, in addition to the matters mentioned in that Article, to any obligation or practice on the part of the applicant to let dwellings at a rent less than that which could be obtained on the open market.

(4) In Chapter III (group repair schemes), in Article 94(2) (persons eligible to participate in group repair scheme as assisted participants) the requirement in sub-paragraph (a) that a person give an owner-occupation certificate or a certificate of intended letting does not apply if—

- (a) the person concerned is a charity or the trustee of a charity, or
- (b) the dwelling is the residence house of a religious denomination,

and the requirement in sub-paragraph (b) that a person give a certificate of future occupation does not apply if the person concerned is a charity or the trustee of a charity.

(5) In Chapter IV (home repair assistance), Article 107(1)(c) (condition that applicant have owner's interest or tenancy) does not apply to an application by an individual in respect of the residence house of a religious denomination.

(6) In this Article "charity" does not include a registered housing association but, subject to that, has the same meaning as in the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 1964 (c. 33).