

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 2

ELECTION OF ADDITIONAL MEP

Allocation to a registered party

- 4 (1) This paragraph applies where—
- (a) within such period as the returning officer considers reasonable, the returning officer decides that steps taken to contact the first choice have been unsuccessful,
 - (b) the first choice has not provided to the returning officer, within such period as the returning officer considers reasonable, the statement and certificate referred to in paragraph 3(2), or
 - (c) the first choice has provided to the returning officer a statement in writing that he or she is not willing or able to be returned as an MEP.
- (2) The returning officer must ascertain from the qualifying party's list of candidates the name and address of the person whose name appears next in the qualifying party's list of candidates ("the subsequent choice"), disregarding the name of any person who has died.
- (3) The returning officer must take such steps as the returning officer considers reasonable to contact the subsequent choice to ask the question in paragraph 3(2) (a) and (b).