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**1998 No. 2877 (C.70)**

**EDUCATION, ENGLAND AND WALES**

**The School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (Home–  
School Agreements) (Appointed Day) Order 1998**

*Made - - - - 12th November 1998*

In exercise of the power conferred on the Secretary of State by section 110(10) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(1), the Secretary of State for Education and Employment, as regards England, and the Secretary of State for Wales, as regards Wales, hereby make the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (Home–School Agreements) (Appointed Day) Order 1998.
2. 1st September 1999 is hereby appointed as “the relevant date” for the purposes of section 110 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

11th November 1998

*Charles Clarke*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,  
Department for Education and Employment

12th November 1998

*Peter Hain*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Welsh  
Office

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

Under section 110(6) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, the governing body of a school to which that section applies are required, as soon after “the relevant date” as is reasonably practicable, to take reasonable steps to secure that the parents of pupils of compulsory school age on the school register at that date, or admitted to the school after that date, sign a parental declaration in connection with the home–school agreement adopted by the governing body. They also have a discretion, after that date, to invite pupils to sign the declaration where the governing body are satisfied that those pupils have a sufficient understanding of the contents of the home–school agreement.

“The relevant date” is defined in section 110(10) of the 1998 Act as such date as the Secretary of State may by order appoint (or such later date as he may determine in the case of a particular school). This Order appoints 1st September 1999 as “the relevant date” for the purposes of section 110.