

*These notes relate to the Lobbying (Scotland) Act 2016
(asp 16) which received Royal Assent on 14 April 2016*

LOBBYING (SCOTLAND) ACT 2016

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Core Concepts

Section 1: Regulated lobbying and the schedule: communications which are not lobbying

Communications in relation to terms and conditions of employment

27. Paragraphs 15 and 16 of the schedule provide that a communication made by or on behalf of any employer or by or on behalf of a trade union, to a member of the Scottish Parliament, a member of the Scottish Government, a junior Scottish Minister, a special adviser, or the permanent secretary of the Scottish Government and which forms part of, or is directly related to, negotiations on terms and conditions of employment of the employees of the employer or of the members of the trade union is not lobbying.
28. [Paragraph 17](#) provides the meaning of “trade union”.