## SCHEDULE Article 3.

# THE UNIVERSITY COMMISSIONERS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

## Appointment

- **1.**—(1) The Department shall appoint five persons to be the University Commissioners for Northern Ireland.
- (2) The Department may appoint a person to fill the place of any Commissioner (including one appointed under this sub-paragraph) who dies, resigns or is removed from office.

## Tenure of office

- **2.**—(1) A person may at any time by notice in writing to the Department resign his office as Commissioner.
- (2) If the Department is satisfied that a Commissioner is unable or unfit to discharge the functions of a Commissioner the Department may by notice in writing to the Commissioner remove him from office.

#### Duration

- **3.**—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), the Commissioners' duties and powers shall cease at the end of 28th July 1991.
- (2) The Department may by order, subject to negative resolution, provide for the Commissioners' duties and powers—
  - (a) to cease at such earlier time; or
- (b) to continue for such longer period, as may be specified in the order.

### Powers

**4.** The Commissioners shall have power to do anything which appears to them necessary or expedient for the purpose of or in connection with the discharge of their functions, including in particular power to require any officer of a qualifying institution to furnish any information, or to produce any documents, relating to the institution or its instruments of government.

#### Remuneration

**5.** The Department may pay the Commissioners such remuneration as it may with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel determine.

## Staff

- **6.**—(1) The Commissioners may appoint such employees as they think fit.
- (2) The Commissioners shall pay to or in respect of their employees such remuneration and allowances as they may determine.
- (3) The employees of the Commissioners shall be appointed on such terms as the Commissioners may determine.

(4) A determination under sub-paragraph (2) or (3) shall be ineffective unless made with the approval of the Department given with the consent of the Department of Finance and Personnel.

# Expenses

7. The expenses of the Commissioners shall be defrayed by the Department.

# Proceedings

- **8.**—(1) The Department shall appoint one of the Commissioners to be chairman; and if the person so appointed—
  - (a) ceases to be a Commissioner; or
  - (b) is absent from any meeting,

the Commissioners present at each meeting shall choose a chairman.

- (2) The powers of the Commissioners may be exercised at a meeting at which two or more of them are present.
- (3) The validity of any proceedings of the Commissioners is not affected by any vacancy among the Commissioners or any defect in the appointment of any Commissioner.