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PART III

ADMISSION OF CHILDREN TO GRANT-AIDED SCHOOLS

Determination of enrolment number for a school

11.—(1) In this Part any reference to a school's enrolment number is a reference to the number for the time being applying under the following provisions of this Article to the school.

(2) The enrolment number applying to a school shall be such number as the Department may determine having regard in particular to —

- (a) the requirements of directions under Article 18 of the 1986 Order which apply in relation to the school; and
- (b) the accommodation available for use by pupils at the school, other than—
 - (i) in the case of a boarding school, so much of the accommodation as is used wholly or mainly for boarding purposes; and
 - (ii) in the case of a grammar school, so much of the accommodation as is not available for use by pupils of the secondary department.

(3) The Department may at any time vary a school's enrolment number.

(4) Before making any determination under paragraph (2) or variation under paragraph (3) in relation to a school, the Department shall consult the bodies mentioned in paragraph (7).

(5) Paragraph (4) does not require consultation with the Board of Governors of a school in relation to a variation of the school's enrolment number made by the Department at the request of the Board of Governors.

(6) After making any determination under paragraph (2) or variation under paragraph (3) in relation to a school, the Department shall send notice of the determination or variation to the bodies mentioned in paragraph (7).

(7) The bodies referred to in paragraphs (4) and (6) are—

- (a) the Board of Governors of the school;
- (b) the board for the area in which the school is situated; and
- (c) where the school is a Catholic maintained school, the Council for Catholic Maintained Schools.