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Control over development

Assessment of environmental effects

21. After Article 25A of the principal Order (as inserted by Article 20 of this Order) there is inserted—

"Assessment of environmental effects

- **25B.**—(1) The Department may by regulations make provision about the consideration to be given, before planning permission for development of any class specified in the regulations is granted, to the likely environmental effects of the proposed development.
- (2) The regulations may make the same provision as, or provision similar or corresponding to, any provision made, for the purposes of any Community obligation of the United Kingdom about the assessment of the likely effects of the development on the environment, under section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972."