## FIREARMS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2004

S.I. 2004 No. 702 (N.I. 3)

## EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

## NOTES ON ARTICLES

## Article 59 - Use of firearm to resist arrest

Makes it an offence for a person to use a firearm or imitation firearm to resist or prevent the arrest or detention of either himself or another person. It is also an offence if a person is in possession of a firearm or imitation firearm at the time of committing, or being arrested for, an offence specified in Schedule 4, unless he shows that he had it for a lawful purpose.