



Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1998

1998 CHAPTER 9

5 Audio recording of police interviews

After section 53 of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1996 (video recording) there shall be inserted—

“53A Audio recording

- (1) The Secretary of State shall—
 - (a) make a code of practice in connection with the audio recording of interviews to which this section applies; and
 - (b) make an order requiring the audio recording of interviews to which this section applies in accordance with the code as it has effect for the time being.
- (2) This section applies to—
 - (a) interviews held by police officers of persons detained under section 14(1)(a) or (b) of the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 (arrest and detention of suspected persons), and
 - (b) interviews held by police officers in such other circumstances as may be specified in an order under subsection (1)(b).
- (3) In this section “police officer” means a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary or the Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve.”