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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 8

COMBINATION OF POLLS: NORTHERN IRELAND

PART 3

FORMS REFERRED TO IN PART 1

Paragraph 11(2)

**FORM 3 - FORM OF DECLARATION OF IDENTITY (TO BE
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Declaration of identity

Referendum on the voting system for United Kingdom parliamentary elections

Ballot Paper no.....
(insert colour)

I am the person to whom the ballot paper numbered above was sent.

My date of birth is (you are not required to give your date of birth if you are to vote as a proxy for someone else).

Voter's signature

The voter, who is personally known to me, has signed this declaration in my presence.

Witness's signature

Name of witness (WRITE CLEARLY)

Address of witness (WRITE CLEARLY)

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SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM

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INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VOTER

1. You must sign this declaration of identity, even if you have already signed a declaration of identity in respect of an election to be held on the same day. You must sign in the presence of a person known to you. That person should then sign this declaration as a witness, adding his or her name and address. Without this the declaration will be invalid and your vote will not be counted.
2. Vote once only. Put no other mark on the ballot paper or your vote may not be counted.
3. Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the answer you are voting for. Do this secretly. If you cannot vote without assistance, the person assisting you must not disclose how you have voted.
4. Put the ballot paper in the small envelope marked “A” and seal it. Then put the envelope marked “A”, together with the declaration of identity, in the larger envelope marked “B”. Return it without delay. The ballot paper must be received by the counting officer not later than the close of the poll.
5. If you receive more than one ballot paper, remember that it is illegal to vote more than once (otherwise than as proxy) in this referendum.
6. In this referendum you cannot vote in person at a polling station.
7. If by mistake you spoil your ballot paper, you can apply to the counting officer for another one. With your application you must return, in your own envelope, the spoiled ballot paper, the declaration of identity and the envelopes marked “A” and “B”. We can only issue replacement postal ballot papers before 5 p.m. on [-1 day/date deadline].

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