#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

# 1997 No. 171

## The Courts-Martial (Royal Air Force) Rules 1997

### PART IV

#### PRELIMINARY PROCEEDINGS

#### Substance of a preparatory hearing

**31.**—(1) At a preparatory hearing the judge advocate may make an order or ruling on—

- (a) any question as to the admissibility of evidence;
- (b) any other question of law, practice or procedure relating to the case.

(2) An order or ruling made under this rule shall have effect until the conclusion of the courtmartial trial unless it appears to the judge advocate on application made to him at any stage during the proceedings that in the interests of justice it should be varied or discharged.