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PART 37

SUMMARY TRIAL

Procedure on information where accused is not legally represented

37.2.—(1) The court shall explain to an accused who is not legally represented the substance of the charge in simple language.

(2) If an accused who is not legally represented, instead of asking a witness in support of the charge questions by way of cross-examination, makes assertions, the court shall then put to the witness such questions as it thinks necessary on behalf of the accused and may for this purpose question the accused in order to bring out or clear up any point arising out of such assertions.

[Note. Formerly rule 13A of the Magistrates' Courts Rules 1981.]