Draft Order laid before Parliament under section 3(5) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 (c.56), for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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The Parliamentary Constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008

Made - - - - 2008

Coming into force in accordance with article 1

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the *** day of ***

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Under section 3(1) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986(**1**)("the 1986 Act"), the Boundary Commission for Northern Ireland have submitted to the Secretary of State a report dated 14th September 2007 showing the constituencies into which they recommend Northern Ireland should be divided, in accordance with that Act.

Under section 3(5) of the 1986 Act, the Secretary of State has laid a copy of the report before Parliament together with a draft of this Order to give effect, without modifications, to the recommendations in the report and the draft Order has been approved by a resolution of each House of Parliament.

Accordingly, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to make the following Order under section 4 of the 1986 Act:

(**1**) 1986 c.56; section 3 has been amended by section 16 of, and Part 1 of Schedule 3 to, the Political Parties, Elections and Referendums Act 2000 (c.41). However, these amendments have yet to be commenced.

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Constituencies (Northern Ireland) Order 2008 and shall come into force on the fourteenth day after the day on which it is made (**2**).

Parliamentary Constituencies in Northern Ireland

2.—(1) For all the constituencies in Northern Ireland there shall be substituted the constituencies which—

(a) are named in the left-hand column of the Schedule to this Order;

(b) are designated in that column as either county constituencies or borough constituencies; and

(c) comprise the areas set out in the right-hand column of that Schedule.

(2) The areas set out in the right-hand column of the Schedule to this Order are local government areas as they existed on 14th September 2007.

(3) The Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland shall make such re-arrangement or adaptation of the register of parliamentary electors as may be necessary to give effect to this Order.

Clerk of the Privy Council

(**2**) The effect of section 4(6) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 is that the coming into force of this Order shall not affect any parliamentary election until a proclamation is issued by Her Majesty summoning a new Parliament and shall not affect the constitution of the House of Commons until the dissolution of the Parliament now in being.

SCHEDULE Article 2

NAMES, DESIGNATION AND COMPOSITION
OF CONSTITUENCIES IN NORTHERN IRELAND

Name and designation	*Composition*
Belfast East (borough constituency)	(i) The following wards of Belfast local government district: Ballyhackamore, Ballymacarrett, Belmont, Bloomfield, Cherryvalley, Island,Knock, Orangefield, Stormont, Sydenham and The Mount; and (ii) the following wards of Castlereagh local government district: Ballyhanwood, Carrowreagh, Cregagh, Downshire, Dundonald, Enler, Gilnahirk, Graham's Bridge, Lisnasharragh, Lower Braniel, Tullycarnet and Upper Braniel.
Belfast North (borough constituency)	(i) The following wards of Belfast local government district: Ardoyne, Ballysillan, Bellevue, Castleview, Cavehill, Chichester Park, Cliftonville, Crumlin, Duncairn, Fortwilliam, Legoniel, New Lodge, Water Works and Woodvale; and (ii) the following wards of Newtownabbey local government district: Abbey, Ballyhenry, Cloughfern, Collinbridge, Coole, Dunanney, Glebe, Glengormley, Hightown, Valley and Whitehouse.
Belfast South (borough constituency)	(i) The following wards of Belfast local government district: Ballynafeigh, Blackstaff, Botanic, Finaghy, Malone, Musgrave, Ravenhill, Rosetta, Shaftesbury, Stranmillis, Upper Malone, Windsor and Woodstock; and (ii) the following wards of Castlereagh local government district: Beechill, Cairnshill, Carryduff East, Carryduff West, Galwally, Hillfoot, Knockbracken, Minnowburn, Newtownbreda and Wynchurch.
Belfast West (borough constituency)	(i) The following wards of Belfast local government district: Andersonstown, Beechmount, Clonard, Falls, Falls Park, Glencairn, Glencolin, Glen Road, Highfield, Ladybrook, Shankill, Upper Springfield and Whiterock; (ii) the following wards of Lisburn City local government district: Collin Glen, Dunmurry, Kilwee, Poleglass, and Twinbrook; and