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The Secretary of State, in pursuance of sections 25 and 34(3) of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970(a), and after consulting in accordance with section 34(2) of that Act the Police Authority for Northern Ireland and the Police Association for Northern Ireland, and after taking into account the recommendations made by the

(a) 1970 c. 9 (N.I.) as modified by S.I. 1973/2163 and S.I. 1981/1670 and amended by Article 17 of S.I. 1977/53 (N.I. 2)

Police Negotiating Board for the United Kingdom and furnishing that Board with a draft of the regulations in accordance with section 2(1) of the Police Negotiating Board Act 1980(a), hereby with the concurrence of the Treasury makes the following regulations:—

## PART I

## GENERAL

*Citation and operation*

**1.** These regulations may be cited as the Royal Ulster Constabulary Regulations 1984 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1984.

*Revocations*

**2.** The regulations specified in Schedule 1 are hereby revoked.

*References to provisions of these regulations*

**3.** Without prejudice to section 11 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(b), in these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, a reference to a regulation shall be construed as a reference to a regulation contained in these regulations, a reference to a Schedule shall be construed as a reference to a Schedule to these regulations, a reference to a paragraph shall be construed as a reference to a paragraph in the regulation or Schedule in which the reference occurs, and a reference to a sub-paragraph shall be construed as a reference to a sub-paragraph in the paragraph in which the reference occurs.

*Meanings assigned to certain expressions, etc.*

**4.**—(1) In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them:—

"assistant chief constable" includes senior assistant chief constable;

"auxiliary policeman" has the meaning assigned to it in the Police Regulations 1979(c);

"Discipline Regulations" means the regulations relating to discipline for the time being in force;

"inspector" includes chief inspector;

"member" means a member of the force;

"Pensions Regulations" means the regulations relating to Royal Ulster Constabulary pensions for the time being in force;

"police force in Great Britain" has the meaning assigned to a police force in the Police Act 1964(d) or a police force in the Police (Scotland) Act 1967(e) as the case may be;

"Promotion Regulations" means the regulations relating to qualifications and selection for promotion for the time being in force;

"public holiday" means New Year's Day, St. Patrick's Day, 1st May, Spring Holiday, 12th July, Late Summer Holiday, Christmas Day and 26th December;

"reversionary member of a home police force" has the meaning assigned to it in the Police Pensions Regulations 1973(f);

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(a) 1980 c. 10
(b) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(c) S.I. 1979/1470
(d) 1964 c. 48
(e) 1967 c. 77
(f) S.I. 1973/428

"superintendent" includes chief superintendent;

"the force" means the Royal Ulster Constabulary;

"university scholar" and, in relation to such a scholar, "course" and "study" have the meanings respectively assigned to them in paragraph 1 of Schedule 4.

(2) In these regulations a reference to an aerodrome constabulary is a reference to such a constabulary within the meaning of the Policing of Airports Act 1974(**a**); and a reference to a rank in such a constabulary corresponding to a rank in the force is a reference to a rank in that constabulary designated for the purposes hereof by the Secretary of State as the rank corresponding to the rank in question.

(3) Nothing in these regulations shall be construed as authorising pay or allowances payable to any person to be reduced retrospectively.

## PART II

## ORGANISATION

*Authorised establishment*

**5.** The establishment of the force shall be constituted by the maximum number of persons in each rank mentioned in regulation 6 which is determined for this purpose in accordance with section 6 of the Police Act (Northern Ireland) 1970.

*Ranks*

**6.** The Royal Ulster Constabulary shall consist of members of the following ranks:—

Chief Constable
Deputy Chief Constable
Senior Assistant Chief Constable
Assistant Chief Constable
Chief Superintendent
Superintendent
Chief Inspector
Inspector
Sergeant
Constable

*Restrictions on the private life of members*

**7.** The restrictions on private life contained in Schedule 2 shall apply to all members, and no restrictions other than those designed to secure the proper exercise of the functions of a constable shall be imposed by the Police Authority or the chief constable on the private life of members except such as may temporarily be necessary or such as may be approved by the Secretary of State after consultation with the Advisory Board and any such restriction temporarily imposed shall be reported forthwith to the Secretaty of State.

*Business interests incompatible with membership of the force*

**8.**—(1) If a member or a relative included in his family proposes to have, or has, a business interest within the meaning of this regulation, the member shall forthwith give written notice of that interest to the chief constable unless that business interest was disclosed at the time of his appointment as a member.

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(**a**) 1974 c. 41