



# Police Act 1997

## 1997 CHAPTER 50

### PART II

#### THE NATIONAL CRIME SQUAD

##### *Director General and other members*

#### **54 Deputy Director General**

- (1) The Director General of the National Crime Squad shall designate a police member of the National Crime Squad to whom section 55(2)(a) applies to exercise all the powers and duties of the Director General—
  - (a) during any absence, incapacity or suspension from duty of the Director General, or
  - (b) during any vacancy in the office of Director General.
- (2) The Director General shall consult the NCS Service Authority before designating a member under subsection (1).
- (3) No more than one person shall be authorised to act by virtue of a designation under subsection (1) at any one time; and a person so authorised shall not have power to act by virtue of that subsection for a continuous period exceeding three months except with the consent of the Secretary of State.