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The Police (Health and Safety) (Northern Ireland) Order 1997

Right of police not to suffer detriment in health and safety cases

5. In Chapter I of Part VI of the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (protection from suffering detriment in employment) after Article 72 there shall be inserted the following Article—

"Application to police of Article 68 and related provisions

72A.—(1) For the purposes of Article 68, and of Articles 71 and 72 so far as relating to that Article, the holding, otherwise than under a contract of employment, of the office of constable -shall be treated as employment by the relevant officer under a contract of employment.

(2) In this Article "the relevant officer"—

- (a) in relation to a member of the Royal Ulster Constabulary or the Royal Ulster Constabulary Reserve, means the Chief Constabule of the Royal Ulster Constabulary; .
- (b) in relation to a person holding office under section 9(1)(b) of the Police Act 1997 (police members of the National Criminal Intelligence Service) means the Director General of the National Criminal Intelligence Service; and
- (c) in relation to any other person holding the office of constable, means the person who has the direction and control of the body of constables in question.".