

**NORTHERN IRELAND POLICING BOARD
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2007**

S.I. 2007 No. 911 (N.I. 5)

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

COMMENTARY ON PROVISIONS

Article 2 – Modification of the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000

Article 2 inserts a new paragraph 2A into Schedule 1 to the Police (Northern Ireland) Act 2000. If an order restoring devolved government in Northern Ireland takes effect in accordance with the timetable set out in the Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006, the effect of new paragraph 2A would be that the current members of the Northern Ireland Policing Board would cease to hold office on 28 March 2007 instead of 26 March 2007.

The effect of this would become significant if the restoration order were revoked in accordance with the timetable set out in section 2(4) of the Northern Ireland (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006. In that case, the current members of the Board would continue in office without their term of office being interrupted by the restoration or revocation.