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COMPANIES

**Companies (1986 Order) (Bank Accounts) Regulations
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Schedule 1 to the Northern Ireland Act 1974*

The Department of Economic Development, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 265(1) and (3) of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986(a) and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Companies (1986 Order) (Bank Accounts) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1992 and shall come into operation on 3rd August 1992.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations “the 1986 Order” means the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 and “the 1990 Order” means the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1990(b).

Amendments of Articles

3. The following Articles are inserted into Part VIII of the 1986 Order in place of Articles 263 to 263B(c)—

*“Banking and insurance companies and groups**Special provisions for banking and insurance companies*

263.—(1) A banking company shall prepare its individual accounts in accordance with Part I of Schedule 9 rather than Schedule 4.

(2) An insurance company may prepare its individual accounts in accordance with Part I of Schedule 9A rather than Schedule 4.

(3) Accounts so prepared shall contain a statement that they are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of this Part relating to banking companies or to insurance companies, as the case may be.

(a) S.I. 1986/1032 (N.I. 6); Article 265 was inserted by Article 22 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1990, S.I. 1990/593 (N.I. 5).

(b) S.I. 1990/593 (N.I. 5).

(c) Articles 263 to 263B were inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 20(1) of the 1990 Order.

(4) In relation to the preparation of individual accounts in accordance with the special provisions of this Part, the references to Schedule 4 in Article 234(4) and (5) (relationship between specific requirements and duty to give true and fair view)(a) shall be read as references to the provisions of Part I of Schedule 9, in the case of the accounts of banking companies, or to the provisions of Part I of Schedule 9A, in the case of the accounts of insurance companies.

(5) The Department may, on the application or with the consent of the directors of an insurance company which prepares individual accounts in accordance with the special provisions of this Part relating to insurance companies, modify in relation to the company any of the requirements of this Part, other than the duty to give a true and fair view, for the purpose of adapting them to the circumstances of the company.

Special provisions for banking and insurance groups

263A.—(1) The parent company of a banking group shall prepare group accounts in accordance with the provisions of this Part as modified by Part II of Schedule 9.

(2) The parent company of an insurance group may prepare group accounts in accordance with the provisions of this Part as modified by Part II of Schedule 9A.

(3) Accounts so prepared shall contain a statement that they are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of this Part relating to banking groups or to insurance groups, as the case may be.

(4) References in this Part to a banking group are to a group where—

(a) the parent company is a banking company, or

(b) the parent company;

(i) does not itself carry on any material business apart from the acquisition, management and disposal of interests in subsidiary undertakings; and

(ii) its principal subsidiary undertakings are wholly or mainly banking companies.

For the purposes of sub-paragraph (b) the management of interests in subsidiary undertakings includes the provision of services to such undertakings, and a parent company's principal subsidiary undertakings are those subsidiary undertakings of the company whose results or financial position would principally affect the figures shown in the group accounts.

(5) References in this Part to an insurance group are to a group where—

(a) the parent company is an insurance company, or

(b) the predominant activity of the group is insurance business and activities which are a direct extension of or ancillary to insurance business.

(a) Article 234 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 6(1) of the 1990 Order.

(6) In relation to the preparation of group accounts in accordance with the special provisions of this Part:

- (a) the references to the provisions of Schedule 4A(a) in Article 235(5) and (6) (relationship between specific requirements and duty to give true and fair view)(b) shall be read as references to those provisions as modified by Part II of Schedule 9, in the case of the group accounts of a banking group, or Part II of Schedule 9A, in the case of the group accounts of an insurance group; and
- (b) the reference to paragraphs 52 to 57 of Schedule 4 in Article 238(2) (relief from obligation to comply with those paragraphs where group accounts prepared)(c) shall be read as a reference to paragraphs 74 to 77, 80 and 81 of Part I of Schedule 9, in the case of the group accounts of a banking group.

(7) The Department may, on the application or with the consent of the directors of a company which prepares group accounts in accordance with the special provisions of this Part relating to insurance groups, modify in relation to the company any of the requirements of this Part for the purpose of adapting them to the circumstances of the company.

Modification of disclosure requirements in relation to banking company or group

263B.—(1) In relation to a banking company, or the parent company of a banking company, the provisions of Schedule 5 (Disclosure of information: related undertakings)(d) have effect subject to Part III of Schedule 9.

(2) In relation to a banking company, or the parent company of a banking company, the provisions of Schedule 6 (Disclosure of information: emoluments and other benefits of directors and others)(e) have effect subject to Part IV of Schedule 9(f).”

4. Article 263C(g) of the 1986 Order is amended:

- (a) by the addition of the following words at the end of the cross-heading to the Article: “relating to insurance companies or groups”;
- (b) by the deletion of the words “banking or” where they appear in paragraph (1);
- (c) by the substitution of the words “Schedule 9A” for the words “Schedule 9” wherever they appear in the Article; and
- (d) by the deletion of the words “27 or” where they appear in paragraph (4)

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- (a) Schedule 4A was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(2) of and Schedule 2 to the 1990 Order.
 - (b) Article 235 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(1) of the 1990 Order.
 - (c) Article 238 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(4) of the 1990 Order.
 - (d) Schedule 5 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 8(2) of and Schedule 3 to the 1990 Order.
 - (e) Schedule 6 has been amended by section 108 of and Schedules 6 and 7 to the Banking Act 1987 (c. 22) and by Articles 8(4) and 26 of, and Schedules 4 and 15 to, the 1990 Order.
 - (f) Part IV of Schedule 9 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 20(3) and (4) of and Schedule 7 to the 1990 Order.
 - (g) Article 263C was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 20(1) of the 1990 Order.

Insertion of new Schedule into the 1986 Order

5.—(1) Parts I and II of Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order(a) shall form a new Schedule to that Order numbered “Schedule 9A” and entitled “Special Provisions For Insurance Companies And Groups”, which shall be inserted after Schedule 9.

(2) Part III of Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order is repealed.

(3) The following is substituted for the heading of Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order: “Special Provisions For Banking Companies and Groups”.

(4) Parts I to III of Schedule 1 (Form and content of accounts of banking companies and groups) are inserted into the 1986 Order as Parts I to III of Schedule 9 to that Order.

Other amendments of the 1986 Order

6. Part VIII of the 1986 Order shall be further amended in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2.

7. The 1986 Order shall be further amended in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 3 which are consequential on the amendments made by the foregoing Regulations.

Amendment to the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981

8. In Article 141 of the Housing (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(b), in the definition of “insurance company”, the words “Schedule 9A” shall be substituted for the words “Schedule 9”.

Transitional provisions

9.—(1) A company (including any body corporate to which Part VIII of the 1986 Order is applied by any statutory provision) may, with respect to a financial year of the company commencing on a date prior to 23rd December 1992, prepare such annual accounts as it would have been required to prepare had the modifications to the 1986 Order effected by these Regulations not been made.

(2) The amendments effected by regulations 3 to 8 shall, where a company prepares accounts under paragraph (1), be treated (as regards that company) as not having been made.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of Economic Development on 5th June 1992.

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- (a) Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order has been amended by the Financial Services Act 1986 (c. 60) and by Article 20 of, and Schedule 7 to, the 1990 Order.
- (b) S.I. 1981/156 (N.I. 3); Article 141 has been repealed by sections 27 and 157 of and Schedule 22 to the Finance Act 1982 (c. 39) subject to the provisions of section 27(2), (4) and (5) of that Act; Article 141 has been amended by Article 23 of, and Schedule 1 to, the Companies Consolidation (Consequential Provisions) (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (S.I. 1986/1035 (N.I. 9)).

Form and Content of Accounts of Banking Companies and Groups

PART I

INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS

CHAPTER I

GENERAL RULES AND FORMATS

SECTION A

GENERAL RULES

1.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this Part:

- (a) every balance sheet of a company shall show the items listed in the balance sheet format set out in section B of this Chapter; and
- (b) every profit and loss account of a company shall show the items listed in either of the profit and loss account formats so set out;

in either case in the order and under the headings and sub-headings given in the format adopted.

(2) Sub-paragraph (1) is not to be read as requiring the heading or sub-heading for any item to be distinguished by any number or letter assigned to that item in the format adopted.

(3) Where the heading of an item in the format adopted contains any wording in square brackets, that wording may be omitted if not applicable to the company.

2.—(1) Where in accordance with paragraph 1 a company's profit and loss account for any financial year has been prepared by reference to one of the formats set out in section B, the directors of the company shall adopt the same format in preparing the profit and loss account for subsequent financial years of the company unless in their opinion there are special reasons for a change.

(2) Particulars of any change in the format adopted in preparing a company's profit and loss account in accordance with paragraph 1 shall be disclosed, and the reasons for the change shall be explained, in a note to the accounts in which the new format is first adopted.

3.—(1) Any item required in accordance with paragraph 1 to be shown in a company's balance sheet or profit and loss account may be shown in greater detail than so required.

(2) A company's balance sheet or profit and loss account may include an item representing or covering the amount of any asset or liability, income or expenditure not specifically covered by any of the items listed in the balance sheet format provided or the profit and loss account format adopted, but the following shall not be treated as assets in any company's balance sheet:

- (i) preliminary expenses;
- (ii) expenses of and commission on any issue of shares or debentures; and
- (iii) costs of research.

(3) Items to which lower case letters are assigned in any of the formats set out in section B may be combined in a company's accounts for any financial year if either:

- (a) their individual amounts are not material for the purpose of giving a true and fair view; or
- (b) the combination facilitates the assessment of the state of affairs or profit or loss of the company for that year;

but in a case within head (b) the individual amounts of any items so combined shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts and any notes required by this Schedule to the items so combined shall, notwithstanding the combination, be given.

(4) Subject to paragraph 4(3), a heading or sub-heading corresponding to an item listed in the balance sheet format or the profit and loss account format adopted in preparing a company's balance sheet or profit and loss account shall not be included if there is no amount to be shown for that item in respect of the financial year to which the balance sheet or profit and loss account relates.

4.—(1) In respect of every item shown in the balance sheet or profit and loss account, there shall be shown or stated the corresponding amount for the financial year immediately preceding that to which the accounts relate.

(2) Where the corresponding amount is not comparable with the amount to be shown for the item in question in respect of the financial year to which the balance sheet or profit and loss account relates, the former amount shall be adjusted and particulars of the adjustment and the reasons for it shall be given in a note to the accounts.

(3) Paragraph 3(4) does not apply in any case where an amount can be shown for the item in question in respect of the financial year immediately preceding that to which the balance sheet or profit and loss account relates, and that amount shall be shown under the heading or sub-heading required by paragraph 1 for that item.

5.—(1) Subject to the following provisions of this paragraph and without prejudice to note (6) to the balance sheet format, amounts in respect of items representing assets or income may not be set off against amounts in respect of items representing liabilities or expenditure (as the case may be), or vice versa.

(2) Charges required to be included in profit and loss account format 1, items 11(a) and 11(b) or format 2, items A7(a) and A7(b) may however be set off against income required to be included in format 1, items 12(a) and 12(b) or format 2, items B5(a) and B5(b) and the resulting figure shown as a single item (in format 2 at position A7 if negative and at position B5 if positive).

(3) Charges required to be included in profit and loss account format 1, item 13 or format 2, item A8 may also set off against income required to be included in format 1, item 14 or format 2, item B6 and the resulting figure shown as a single item (in format 2 at position A8 if negative and at position B6 if positive).

6.—(1) Assets shall be shown under the relevant balance sheet headings even where the company has pledged them as security for its own liabilities or for those of third parties or has otherwise assigned them as security to third parties.

(2) A company shall not include in its balance sheet assets pledged or otherwise assigned to it as security unless such assets are in the form of cash in the hands of the company.

7. Assets acquired in the name of and on behalf of third parties shall not be shown in the balance sheet.

8. Every profit and loss account of a company shall show separately as additional items:

- (a) any amount set aside or proposed to be set aside to, or withdrawn or proposed to be withdrawn from, reserves; and
- (b) the aggregate amount of any dividends paid and proposed.

SECTION B^s

THE REQUIRED FORMATS FOR ACCOUNTS

Preliminary

9.—(1) References in this Part to the balance sheet format or to profit and loss account formats are to the balance sheet format or profit and loss account formats set out below and references to the items listed in any of the formats are to those items read together with any of the notes following the formats which apply to any of those items.

(2) The requirement imposed by paragraph 1 of this Part to show the items listed in any such format in the order adopted in the format is subject to any provision in the notes following the formats for alternative positions for any particular items.

10. A number in brackets following any item in any of the formats set out below is a reference to the note of that number in the notes following the formats.

Balance Sheet Format

ASSETS

1. Cash and balances at central [or post office] banks (1)
2. Treasury bills and other eligible bills (20)
 - (a) Treasury bills and similar securities (2)
 - (b) Other eligible bills (3)
3. Loans and advances to banks (4), (20)
 - (a) Repayable on demand
 - (b) Other loans and advances
4. Loans and advances to customers (5), (20)
5. Debt securities [and other fixed income securities] (6), (20)
 - (a) Issued by public bodies
 - (b) Issued by other issuers
6. Equity shares [and other variable-yield securities]
7. Participating interests
8. Shares in group undertakings
9. Intangible fixed assets (7)
10. Tangible fixed assets (8)

11. Called up capital not paid (9)
12. Own Shares (10)
13. Other assets
14. Called up capital not paid (9)
15. Prepayments and accrued income

Total assets

LIABILITIES

1. Deposits by banks (11), (20)
 - (a) Repayable on demand
 - (b) With agreed maturity dates or periods of notice
2. Customer accounts (12), (20)
 - (a) Repayable on demand
 - (b) With agreed maturity dates or periods of notice
3. Debt securities in issue (13), (20)
 - (a) Bonds and medium term notes
 - (b) Others
4. Other liabilities
5. Accruals and deferred income
6. Provisions for liabilities and charges
 - (a) Provisions for pensions and similar obligations
 - (b) Provisions for tax
 - (c) Other provisions
7. Subordinated liabilities (14), (20)
8. Called up share capital (15)
9. Share premium account
10. Reserves
 - (a) Capital redemption reserve
 - (b) Reserve for own shares
 - (c) Reserves provided for by the articles of association
 - (d) Other reserves
11. Revaluation reserve
12. Profit and loss account

Total liabilities

MEMORANDUM ITEMS

1. Contingent liabilities (16)
 - (1) Acceptances and endorsements
 - (2) Guarantees and assets pledged as collateral security (17)
 - (3) Other contingent liabilities
2. Commitments (18)
 - (1) Commitments arising out of sale and option to resell transactions (19)
 - (2) Other commitments

Notes on the balance sheet format and memorandum items*(1) Cash and balances at central [or post office] banks*

(Assets item 1)

Cash shall comprise all currency including foreign notes and coins.

Only those balances which may be withdrawn without notice and which are deposited with central or post office banks of the country or countries in which the company is established shall be included in this item. All other claims on central or post office banks must be shown under Assets items 3 or 4.

(2) Treasury bills and other eligible bills: Treasury bills and similar securities

(Assets item 2(a))

Treasury bills and similar securities shall comprise treasury bills and similar debt instruments issued by public bodies which are eligible for refinancing with central banks of the country or countries in which the company is established. Any treasury bills or similar debt instruments not so eligible shall be included under Assets item 5, sub-item (a).

(3) Treasury bills and other eligible bills: Other eligible bills

(Assets item 2(b))

Other eligible bills shall comprise all bills purchased to the extent that they are eligible, under national law, for refinancing with the central banks of the country or countries in which the company is established.

(4) Loans and advances to banks

(Assets item 3)

Loans and advances to banks shall comprise all loans and advances to domestic or foreign credit institutions made by the company arising out of banking transactions. However, loans and advances to credit institutions represented by debt securities or other fixed income securities shall be included under Assets item 5 and not this item.

(5) Loans and advances to customers

(Assets item 4)

Loans and advances to customers shall comprise all types of assets in the form of claims on domestic and foreign customers other than credit institutions. However, loans and advances represented by debt securities or other fixed income securities shall be included under Assets item 5 and not this item.

(6) *Debt securities [and other fixed income securities]*

(Assets item 5)

This item shall comprise transferable debt securities and any other transferable fixed income securities issued by credit institutions, other undertakings or public bodies. Debt securities and other fixed income securities issued by public bodies shall however only be included in this item if they may not be shown under Assets item 2.

Where a company holds its own debt securities these shall not be included under this item but shall be deducted from Liabilities item 3(a) or (b), as appropriate.

Securities bearing interest rates that vary in accordance with specific factors, for example the interest rate on the inter-bank market or on the Euromarket, shall also be regarded as fixed income securities to be included under this item.

(7) *Intangible fixed assets*

(Assets item 9)

This item shall comprise:

- (a) development costs;
- (b) concessions, patents, licences, trade marks and similar rights and assets;
- (c) goodwill; and
- (d) payments on account.

Amounts shall, however, be included in respect of (b) only if the assets were acquired for valuable consideration or the assets in question were created by the company itself.

Amounts representing goodwill shall only be included to the extent that the goodwill was acquired for valuable consideration.

There shall be disclosed, in a note to the accounts, the amount of any goodwill included in this item.

(8) *Tangible fixed assets*

(Assets item 10)

This item shall comprise:

- land and buildings;
- plant and machinery;
- fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment; and
- payments on account and assets in the course of construction.

There shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts the amount included in this item with respect to land and buildings occupied by the company for its own activities.

(9) *Called up capital not paid*

(Assets items 11 and 14)

The two positions shown for this item are alternatives.

(10) Own shares

(Assets item 12)

The nominal value of the shares held shall be shown separately under this item.

(11) Deposits by banks

(Liabilities item 1)

Deposits by banks shall comprise all amounts arising out of banking transactions owed to other domestic or foreign credit institutions by the company. However liabilities in the form of debt securities and any liabilities for which transferable certificates have been issued shall be included under Liabilities item 3 and not this item.

(12) Customer accounts

(Liabilities item 2)

This item shall comprise all amounts owed to creditors that are not credit institutions. However liabilities in the form of debt securities and any liabilities for which transferable certificates have been issued shall be shown under Liabilities item 3 and not this item.

(13) Debt securities in issue

(Liabilities item 3)

This item shall include both debt securities and debts for which transferable certificates have been issued, including liabilities arising out of own acceptances and promissory notes. (Only acceptances which a company has issued for its own refinancing and in respect of which it is the first party liable shall be treated as own acceptances.)

(14) Subordinated liabilities

(Liabilities item 7)

This item shall comprise all liabilities in respect of which there is a contractual obligation that, in the event of winding up or bankruptcy, they are to be repaid only after the claims of other creditors have been met. This item shall include all subordinated liabilities, whether or not a ranking has been agreed between the subordinated creditors concerned.

(15) Called up share capital

(Liabilities item 8)

The amount of allotted share capital and the amount of called up share capital which has been paid up shall be shown separately.

(16) Contingent liabilities

(Memorandum item 1)

This item shall include all transactions whereby the company has underwritten the obligations of a third party.

Liabilities arising out of the endorsement of rediscounted bills shall be included in this item. Acceptances other than own acceptances shall also be included.

(17) *Contingent liabilities: Guarantees and assets pledged as collateral security*
(Memorandum item 1(2))

This item shall include all guarantee obligations incurred and assets pledged as collateral security on behalf of third parties, particularly in respect of sureties and irrevocable letters of credit.

(18) *Commitments*

(Memorandum item 2)

This item shall include every irrevocable commitment which could give rise to a credit risk.

(19) *Commitments: Commitments arising out of sale and option to resell transactions*

(Memorandum item 2(1))

This sub-item shall comprise commitments entered into by the company in the context of sale and option to resell transactions.

(20) *Claims on, and liabilities to, undertakings in which a participating interest is held or group undertakings*

(Assets items 2 to 5, Liabilities items 1 to 3 and 7)

The following information must be given either by way of subdivision of the relevant items or by way of notes to the accounts.

The amount of the following must be shown for each of Assets items 2 to 5:

- (a) claims on group undertakings included therein; and
- (b) claims on undertakings in which the company has a participating interest included therein.

The amount of the following must be shown for each of Liabilities items 1, 2, 3 and 7:

- (i) liabilities to group undertakings included therein; and
- (ii) liabilities to undertakings in which the company has a participating interest included therein.

Special Rules

Subordinated assets

11.—(1) The amount of any assets that are subordinated must be shown either as a subdivision of any relevant asset item or in the notes to the accounts; in the latter case disclosure shall be by reference to the relevant asset item or items in which the assets are included.

(2) In the case of Assets items 2 to 5 in the balance sheet format, the amounts required to be shown by note (20) to the format as sub-items of those items shall be further subdivided so as to show the amount of any claims included therein that are subordinated.

(3) For this purpose, assets are subordinated if there is a contractual obligation to the effect that, in the event of winding up or bankruptcy, they are to be repaid only after the claims of other creditors have been met, whether or not a ranking has been agreed between the subordinated creditors concerned.

Syndicated loans

12.—(1) Where a company is a party to a syndicated loan transaction the company shall include only that part of the total loan which it itself has funded.

(2) Where a company is a party to a syndicated loan transaction and has agreed to reimburse (in whole or in part) any other party to the syndicate any funds advanced by that party or any interest thereon upon the occurrence of any event, including the default of the borrower, any additional liability by reason of such a guarantee shall be included as a contingent liability in Memorandum item 1, sub-item (2).

Sale and repurchase transactions

13.—(1) The following rules apply where a company is a party to a sale and repurchase transaction.

(2) Where the company is the transferor of the assets under the transaction:

(a) the assets transferred shall, notwithstanding the transfer, be included in its balance sheet;

(b) the purchase price received by it shall be included in its balance sheet as an amount owed to the transferee; and

(c) the value of the assets transferred shall be disclosed in a note to its accounts.

(3) Where the company is the transferee of the assets under the transaction it shall not include the assets transferred in its balance sheet but the purchase price paid by it to the transferor shall be so included as an amount owed by the transferor.

Sale and option to resell transactions

14.—(1) The following rules apply where a company is a party to a sale and option to resell transaction.

(2) Where the company is the transferor of the assets under the transaction it shall not include in its balance sheet the assets transferred but it shall enter under Memorandum item 2 an amount equal to the price agreed in the event of repurchase.

(3) Where the company is the transferee of the assets under the transaction it shall include those assets in its balance sheet.

Managed funds

15.—(1) For the purposes of this paragraph “managed funds” are funds which the company administers in its own name but on behalf of others and to which it has legal title.

(2) The company shall, in any case where claims and obligations arising in respect of managed funds fall to be treated as claims and obligations of the company, adopt the following accounting treatment: claims and obligations representing managed funds are to be included in the company’s balance sheet, with the notes to the accounts disclosing the total amount included with respect to such assets and liabilities in the balance sheet and showing the amount included under each relevant balance sheet item in respect of such assets or (as the case may be) liabilities.

Profit and Loss Account Formats

FORMAT 1

Vertical layout

1. Interest receivable (1)

(1) Interest receivable and similar income arising from debt securities [and other fixed income securities]

(2) Other interest receivable and similar income

2. Interest payable (2)

3. Dividend income
 - (a) Income from equity shares [and other variable-yield securities]
 - (b) Income from participating interests
 - (c) Income from shares in group undertakings
4. Fees and commissions receivable (3)
5. Fees and commissions payable (4)
6. Dealing [profits] [losses] (5)
7. Other operating income
8. Administrative expenses
 - (a) Staff costs
 - (i) Wages and salaries
 - (ii) Social security costs
 - (iii) Other pension costs
 - (b) Other administrative expenses
9. Depreciation and amortisation (6)
10. Other operating charges
11. Provisions
 - (a) Provisions for bad and doubtful debts (7)
 - (b) Provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments (8)
12. Adjustments to provisions
 - (a) Adjustments to provisions for bad and doubtful debts (9)
 - (b) Adjustments to provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments (10)
13. Amounts written off fixed asset investments (11)
14. Adjustments to amounts written off fixed asset investments (12)
15. [Profit] [loss] on ordinary activities before tax
16. Tax on [profit] [loss] on ordinary activities
17. [Profit] [loss] on ordinary activities after tax
18. Extraordinary income
19. Extraordinary charges
20. Extraordinary [profit] [loss]
21. Tax on extraordinary [profit] [loss]
22. Extraordinary [profit] [loss] after tax
23. Other taxes not shown under the preceding items
24. [Profit] [loss] for the financial year

FORMAT 2

Horizontal layout

- A. Charges
 1. Interest payable (2)
 2. Fees and commissions payable (4)
 3. Dealing losses (5)

4. Administrative expenses
 - (a) Staff costs
 - (i) Wages and salaries
 - (ii) Social security costs
 - (iii) Other pension costs
 - (b) Other administrative expenses
 5. Depreciation and amortisation (6)
 6. Other operating charges
 7. Provisions
 - (a) Provisions for bad and doubtful debts (7)
 - (b) Provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments (8)
 8. Amounts written off fixed asset investments (11)
 9. Profit on ordinary activities before tax
 10. Tax on [profit] [loss] on ordinary activities
 11. Profit on ordinary activities after tax
 12. Extraordinary charges
 13. Tax on extraordinary [profit] [loss]
 14. Extraordinary loss after tax
 15. Other taxes not shown under the preceding items
 16. Profit for the financial year
- B. Income
1. Interest receivable (1)
 - (1) Interest receivable and similar income arising from debt securities [and other fixed income securities]
 - (2) Other interest receivable and similar income
 2. Dividend income
 - (a) Income from equity shares [and other variable-yield securities]
 - (b) Income from participating interests
 - (c) Income from shares in group undertakings
 3. Fees and commissions receivable (3)
 4. Dealing profits (5)
 5. Adjustments to provisions
 - (a) Adjustments to provisions for bad and doubtful debts (9)
 - (b) Adjustments to provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments (10)
 6. Adjustments to amounts written off fixed asset investments (12)
 7. Other operating income
 8. Loss on ordinary activities before tax
 9. Loss on ordinary activities after tax
 10. Extraordinary income
 11. Extraordinary profit after tax
 12. Loss for the financial year

Notes on the profit and loss account formats*(1) Interest receivable*

(Format 1, item 1; Format 2, item B1)

This item shall include all income arising out of banking activities, including:

- (a) income from assets, included in Assets items 1 to 5 in the balance sheet format, however calculated;
- (b) income resulting from covered forward contracts spread over the actual duration of the contract and similar in nature to interest; and
- (c) fees and commissions receivable similar in nature to interest and calculated on a time basis or by reference to the amount of the claim (but not other fees and commissions receivable).

(2) Interest payable

(Format 1, item 2; Format 2, item A1)

This item shall include all expenditure arising out of banking activities, including:

- (a) charges arising out of liabilities included in Liabilities items 1, 2, 3 and 7 in the balance sheet format, however calculated;
- (b) charges resulting from covered forward contracts, spread over the actual duration of the contract and similar in nature to interest; and
- (c) fees and commissions payable similar in nature to interest and calculated on a time basis or by reference to the amount of the liability (but not other fees and commissions payable).

(3) Fees and commissions receivable

(Format 1, item 4; Format 2, item B3)

Fees and commissions receivable shall comprise income in respect of all services supplied by the company to third parties, but not fees or commissions required to be included under interest receivable (Format 1, item 1; Format 2, item B1).

In particular the following fees and commissions receivable must be included (unless required to be included under interest receivable):

- fees and commissions for guarantees, loan administration on behalf of other lenders and securities transactions;
- fees, commissions and other income in respect of payment transactions, account administration charges and commissions for the safe custody and administration of securities;
- fees and commissions for foreign currency transactions and for the sale and purchase of coin and precious metals; and
- fees and commissions charged for brokerage services in connection with savings and insurance contracts and loans.

(4) Fees and commissions payable

(Format 1, item 5; Format 2, item A2)

Fees and commissions payable shall comprise charges for all services rendered to the company by third parties but not fees or commissions required to be included under interest payable (Format 1, item 2; Format 2, item A1).

In particular the following fees and commissions payable must be included (unless required to be included under interest payable):

- fees and commissions for guarantees, loan administration and securities transactions;
- fees, commissions and other charges in respect of payment transactions, account administration charges and commissions for the safe custody and administration of securities;
- fees and commissions for foreign currency transactions and for the sale and purchase of coin and precious metals; and
- fees and commissions for brokerage services in connection with savings and insurance contracts and loans.

(5) *Dealing [profits] [losses]*

(Format 1, item 6; Format 2, items B4 and A3)

This item shall comprise:

- (a) the net profit or net loss on transactions in securities which are not held as financial fixed assets together with amounts written off or written back with respect to such securities, including amounts written off or written back as a result of the application of paragraph 34(1);
- (b) the net profit or loss on exchange activities, save in so far as the profit or loss is included in interest receivable or interest payable (Format 1, items 1 or 2; Format 2, items B1 or A1); and
- (c) the net profits and losses on other dealing operations involving financial instruments including precious metals.

(6) *Depreciation and amortisation*

(Format 1, item 9; Format 2, item A5)

This item shall comprise depreciation and other amounts written off in respect of balance sheet Assets items 9 and 10.

(7) *Provisions: Provisions for bad and doubtful debts*

(Format 1, item 11(a); Format 2, item A7(a))

Provisions for bad and doubtful debts shall comprise charges for amounts written off and for provisions made in respect of loans and advances shown under balance sheet Assets items 3 and 4.

(8) *Provisions: Provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments*

(Format 1, item 11(b); Format 2, item A7(b))

This item shall comprise charges for provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments of a type which would, if not provided for, be shown under Memorandum items 1 and 2.

(9) *Adjustments to provisions: Adjustments to provisions for bad and doubtful debts*

(Format 1, item 12(a); Format 2, item B5(a))

This item shall include credits from the recovery of loans that have been written off, from other advances written back following earlier write offs and from the reduction of provisions previously made with respect to loans and advances.

(10) *Adjustments to provisions: Adjustments to provisions for contingent liabilities and commitments*

(Format 1, item 12(b); Format 2, item B5(b))

This item comprises credits from the reduction of provisions previously made with respect to contingent liabilities and commitments.

(11) Amounts written off fixed asset investments

(Format 1, item 13; Format 2, item A8)

Amounts written off fixed asset investments shall comprise amounts written off in respect of assets which are transferable securities held as financial fixed assets, participating interests and shares in group undertakings and which are included in Assets items 5 to 8 in the balance sheet format.

(12) Adjustments to amounts written off fixed asset investments

(Format 1, item 14; Format 2, item B6)

Adjustments to amounts written off fixed asset investments shall include amounts written back following earlier write offs and provisions in respect of assets which are transferable securities held as financial fixed assets, participating interests and group undertakings and which are included in Assets items 5 to 8 in the balance sheet format.

CHAPTER II

ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND RULES

SECTION A

ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

16. Subject to paragraph 22, the amounts to be included in respect of all items shown in a company's accounts shall be determined in accordance with the principles set out in paragraphs 17 to 21.

Accounting principles

17. The company shall be presumed to be carrying on business as a going concern.

18. Accounting policies shall be applied consistently within the same accounts and from one financial year to the next.

19. The amount of any item shall be determined on a prudent basis, and in particular:

- (a) only profits realised at the balance sheet date shall be included in the profit and loss account; and
- (b) all liabilities and losses which have arisen or are likely to arise in respect of the financial year to which the accounts relate or a previous financial year shall be taken into account, including those which only become apparent between the balance sheet date and the date on which it is signed on behalf of the board of directors in pursuance of Article 241(a).

(a) Article 229 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 4 of the 1990 Order.

20. All income and charges relating to the financial year to which the accounts relate shall be taken into account, without regard to the date of receipt or payment.

21. In determining the aggregate amount of any item the amount of each individual asset or liability that falls to be taken into account shall be determined separately.

Departure from the accounting principles

22. If it appears to the directors of a company that there are special reasons for departing from any of the principles stated above in preparing the company's accounts in respect of any financial year they may do so, but particulars of the departure, the reasons for it and its effect shall be given in a note to the accounts.

SECTION B

VALUATION RULES

HISTORICAL COST ACCOUNTING RULES

Preliminary

23. Subject to paragraphs 39 to 44, the amounts to be included in respect of all items shown in a company's accounts shall be determined in accordance with the rules set out in paragraphs 24 to 38.

Fixed assets

General rules

24. Subject to any provision for depreciation or diminution in value made in accordance with paragraph 25 or 26 the amount to be included in respect of any fixed asset shall be its cost.

25. In the case of any fixed asset which has a limited useful economic life, the amount of:

(a) its cost; or

(b) where it is estimated that any such asset will have a residual value at the end of the period of its useful economic life, its cost less that estimated residual value;

shall be reduced by provisions for depreciation calculated to write off that amount systematically over the period of the asset's useful economic life.

26.—(1) Where a fixed asset investment of a description falling to be included under Assets items 7 (Participating interests) or 8 (Shares in group undertakings) in the balance sheet format, or any other holding of securities held as a financial fixed asset, has diminished in value, provisions for diminution in value may be made in respect of it and the amount to be included in respect of it may be reduced accordingly; and any such provisions which are not shown in the profit and loss account shall be disclosed (either separately or in aggregate) in a note to the accounts.

(2) Provisions for diminution in value shall be made in respect of any fixed asset which has diminished in value if the reduction in its value is expected to be permanent

(whether its useful economic life is limited or not), and the amount to be included in respect of it shall be reduced accordingly; and any such provisions which are not shown in the profit and loss account shall be disclosed (either separately or in aggregate) in a note to the accounts.

(3) Where the reasons for which any provision was made in accordance with sub-paragraph (1) or (2) have ceased to apply to any extent, that provision shall be written back to the extent that it is no longer necessary; and any amounts written back in accordance with this sub-paragraph which are not shown in the profit and loss account shall be disclosed (either separately or in aggregate) in a note to the accounts.

Development costs

27.—(1) Notwithstanding that amounts representing “development costs” may be included under Assets item 9 in the balance sheet format, an amount may only be included in a company’s balance sheet in respect of development costs in special circumstances.

(2) If any amount is included in a company’s balance sheet in respect of development costs the following information shall be given in a note to the accounts:

- (a) the period over which the amount of those costs originally capitalised is being or is to be written off; and
- (b) the reasons for capitalising the development costs in question.

Goodwill

28.—(1) The application of paragraphs 24 to 26 in relation to goodwill (in any case where goodwill is treated as an asset) is subject to the following provisions of this paragraph.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3) the amount of the consideration for any goodwill acquired by a company shall be reduced by provisions for depreciation calculated to write off that amount systematically over a period chosen by the directors of the company.

(3) The period chosen shall not exceed the useful economic life of the goodwill in question.

(4) In any case where any goodwill acquired by a company is included as an asset in the company’s balance sheet the period chosen for writing off the consideration for that goodwill and the reasons for choosing that period shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

Intangible and tangible fixed assets

29. Assets included in Assets items 9 (Intangible fixed assets) and 10 (Tangible fixed assets) in the balance sheet format shall be valued as fixed assets.

Other fixed assets

30. Other assets falling to be included in the balance sheet shall be valued as fixed assets where they are intended for use on a continuing basis in the company’s activities.

Financial fixed assets

31.—(1) Debt securities, including fixed income securities, held as financial fixed assets shall be included in the balance sheet at an amount equal to their maturity

value plus any premium, or less any discount, on their purchase, subject to the following provisions of this paragraph.

(2) The amount included in the balance sheet with respect to such securities purchased at a premium shall be reduced each financial year on a systematic basis so as to write the premium off over the period to the maturity date of the security and the amounts so written off shall be charged to the profit and loss account for the relevant financial years.

(3) The amount included in the balance sheet with respect to such securities purchased at a discount shall be increased each financial year on a systematic basis so as to extinguish the discount over the period to the maturity date of the security and the amounts by which the amount is increased shall be credited to the profit and loss account for the relevant years.

(4) The notes to the accounts shall disclose the amount of any unamortised premium or discount not extinguished which is included in the balance sheet by virtue of sub-paragraph (1).

(5) For the purposes of this paragraph "premium" means any excess of the amount paid for a security over its maturity value and "discount" means any deficit of the amount paid for a security over its maturity value.

Current Assets

32. The amount to be included in respect of loans and advances, debt or other fixed income securities and equity shares or other variable yield securities not held as financial fixed assets shall be their cost, subject to paragraphs 33 and 34.

33.—(1) If the net realisable value of any asset referred to in paragraph 32 is lower than its cost the amount to be included in respect of that asset shall be the net realisable value.

(2) Where the reasons for which any provision for diminution in value was made in accordance with sub-paragraph (1) have ceased to apply to any extent, that provision shall be written back to the extent that it is no longer necessary.

34.—(1) Subject to paragraph 33, the amount to be included in the balance sheet in respect of transferable securities not held as financial fixed assets may be the higher of their cost or their market value at the balance sheet date.

(2) The difference between the cost of any securities included in the balance sheet at a valuation under sub-paragraph (1) and their market value shall be shown (in aggregate) in the notes to the accounts.

Miscellaneous and supplementary provisions

Excess of money owed over value received as an asset item

35.—(1) Where the amount repayable on any debt owed by a company is greater than the value of the consideration received in the transaction giving rise to the debt, the amount of the difference may be treated as an asset.

(2) Where any such amount is so treated:

- (a) it shall be written off by reasonable amounts each year and must be completely written off before repayment of the debt; and
- (b) if the current amount is not shown as a separate item in the company's balance sheet it must be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

Determination of cost

36.—(1) The cost of an asset that has been acquired by the company shall be determined by adding to the actual price paid any expenses incidental to its acquisition.

(2) The cost of an asset constructed by the company shall be determined by adding to the purchase price of the raw materials and consumables used the amount of the costs incurred by the company which are directly attributable to the construction of that asset.

(3) In addition, there may be included in the cost of an asset constructed by the company:

- (a) a reasonable proportion of the costs incurred by the company which are only indirectly attributable to the construction of that asset, but only to the extent that they relate to the period of construction; and
- (b) interest on capital borrowed to finance the construction of that asset, to the extent that it accrues in respect of the period of construction;

provided, however, in a case within head (b), that the inclusion of the interest in determining the cost of that asset and the amount of the interest so included is disclosed in a note to the accounts.

37.—(1) Subject to the qualification mentioned below, the cost of any assets which are fungible assets (including investments) may be determined by the application of any of the methods mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) in relation to any such assets of the same class.

The method chosen must be one which appears to the directors to be appropriate in the circumstances of the company.

(2) Those methods are:

- (a) the method known as "first in, first out" (FIFO);
- (b) the method known as "last in, first out" (LIFO);
- (c) a weighted average price; and
- (d) any other method similar to any of the methods mentioned above.

(3) Where in the case of any company:

- (a) the cost of assets falling to be included under any item shown in the company's balance sheet has been determined by the application of any method permitted by this paragraph; and
- (b) the amount shown in respect of that item differs materially from the relevant alternative amount given below in this paragraph;

the amount of that difference shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

(4) Subject to sub-paragraph (5), for the purposes of sub-paragraph (3)(b), the relevant alternative amount, in relation to any item shown in a company's balance sheet, is the amount which would have been shown in respect of that item if assets of

any class included under that item at an amount determined by any method permitted by this paragraph had instead been included at their replacement cost as at the balance sheet date.

(5) The relevant alternative amount may be determined by reference to the most recent actual purchase price before the balance sheet date of assets of any class included under the item in question instead of by reference to their replacement cost as at that date, but only if the former appears to the directors of the company to constitute the more appropriate standard of comparison in the case of assets of that class.

Substitution of original amount where price or cost unknown

38. Where there is no record of the purchase price of any asset acquired by a company or of any price, expenses or costs relevant for determining its cost in accordance with paragraph 36, or any such record cannot be obtained without unreasonable expense or delay, its cost shall be taken for the purpose of paragraphs 24 to 34 to be the value ascribed to it in the earliest available record of its value made on or after its acquisition by the company.

ALTERNATIVE ACCOUNTING RULES

Preliminary

39.—(1) The rules set out in paragraphs 24 to 38 are referred to below in this Schedule as the historical cost accounting rules.

(2) Paragraphs 24 to 27 and 31 to 35 are referred to below in this section of this Part as the depreciation rules; and references below in this Schedule to the historical cost accounting rules do not include the depreciation rules as they apply by virtue of paragraph 42.

40. Subject to paragraphs 42 to 44, the amounts to be included in respect of assets of any description mentioned in paragraph 41 may be determined on any basis so mentioned.

Alternative accounting rules

41.—(1) Intangible fixed assets, other than goodwill, may be included at their current cost.

(2) Tangible fixed assets may be included at a market value determined as at the date of their last valuation or at their current cost.

(3) Investments of any description falling to be included under Assets items 7 (Participating interests) or 8 (Shares in group undertakings) of the balance sheet format and any other securities held as financial fixed assets may be included either:

(a) at a market value determined as at the date of their last valuation; or

(b) at a value determined on any basis which appears to the directors to be appropriate in the circumstances of the company;

but in the latter case particulars of the method of valuation adopted and of the reasons for adopting it shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

(4) Securities of any description not held as financial fixed assets (if not valued in accordance with paragraph 34) may be included at their current cost.

Application of the depreciation rules

42.—(1) Where the value of any asset of a company is determined in accordance with paragraph 41, that value shall be, or (as the case may require) be the starting point for determining, the amount to be included in respect of that asset in the company's accounts, instead of its cost or any value previously so determined for that asset; and the depreciation rules shall apply accordingly in relation to any such asset with the substitution for any reference to its cost of a reference to the value most recently determined for that asset in accordance with paragraph 41.

(2) The amount of any provision for depreciation required in the case of any fixed asset by paragraph 25 or 26 as it applies by virtue of sub-paragraph (1) is referred to in this paragraph as the "adjusted amount", and the amount of any provision which would be required by that paragraph in the case of that asset according to the historical cost accounting rules is referred to as the "historical cost amount".

(3) Where sub-paragraph (1) applies in the case of any fixed asset the amount of any provision for depreciation in respect of that asset included in any item shown in the profit and loss account in respect of amounts written off assets of the description in question may be the historical cost amount instead of the adjusted amount, provided that the amount of any difference between the two is shown separately in the profit and loss account or in a note to the accounts.

Additional information to be provided in case of departure from historical cost accounting rules

43.—(1) This paragraph applies where the amounts to be included in respect of assets covered by any items shown in a company's accounts have been determined in accordance with paragraph 41.

(2) The items affected and the basis of valuation adopted in determining the amounts of the assets in question in the case of each such item shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

(3) In the case of each balance sheet item affected either:

- (a) the comparable amounts determined according to the historical cost accounting rules; or
- (b) the differences between those amounts and the corresponding amounts actually shown in the balance sheet in respect of that item;

shall be shown separately in the balance sheet or in a note to the accounts.

(4) In sub-paragraph (3); references in relation to any item to the comparable amounts determined as there mentioned are references to:

- (a) the aggregate amount which would be required to be shown in respect of that item if the amounts to be included in respect of all the assets covered by that item were determined according to the historical cost accounting rules; and
- (b) the aggregate amount of the cumulative provisions for depreciation or diminution in value which would be permitted or required in determining those amounts according to those rules.

Revaluation reserve

44.—(1) With respect to any determination of the value of an asset of a company in accordance with paragraph 41, the amount of any profit or loss arising from that determination (after allowing, where appropriate, for any provisions for depreciation or diminution in value made otherwise than by reference to the value so determined and any adjustments of any such provisions made in the light of that determination)

shall be credited or (as the case may be) debited to a separate reserve ("the revaluation reserve").

(2) The amount of the revaluation reserve shall be shown in the company's balance sheet under Liabilities item 11 in the balance sheet format, but need not be shown under that name.

(3) An amount may be transferred from the revaluation reserve:

(a) to the profit and loss account, if the amount was previously charged to that account or represents realised profit, or

(b) on capitalisation;

and the revaluation reserve shall be reduced to the extent that the amounts transferred to it are no longer necessary for the purposes of the valuation method used.

(4) In sub-paragraph (3)(b) "capitalisation", in relation to an amount standing to the credit of the revaluation reserve, means applying it in wholly or partly paying up unissued shares in the company to be allotted to members of the company as fully or partly paid shares.

(5) The revaluation reserve shall not be reduced except as mentioned in this paragraph.

(6) The treatment for taxation purposes of amounts credited or debited to the revaluation reserve shall be disclosed in a note to the accounts.

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES DENOMINATED IN FOREIGN CURRENCIES

45.—(1) Subject to the following sub-paragraphs, amounts to be included in respect of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies shall be in sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up) after translation at an appropriate spot rate of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date.

(2) An appropriate rate of exchange prevailing on the date of purchase may however be used for assets held as financial fixed assets and assets to be included under Assets items 9 (Intangible fixed assets) and 10 (Tangible fixed assets) in the balance sheet format, if they are not covered or not specifically covered in either the spot or forward currency markets.

(3) An appropriate spot rate of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date shall be used for translating uncompleted spot exchange transactions.

(4) An appropriate forward rate of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date shall be used for translating uncompleted forward exchange transactions.

(5) This paragraph does not apply to any assets or liabilities held, or any transactions entered into, for hedging purposes or to any assets or liabilities which are themselves hedged.

46.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), any difference between the amount to be included in respect of an asset or liability under paragraph 45 and the book value, after translation into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up) at an appropriate rate, of that asset or liability shall be credited or, as the case may be, debited to the profit and loss account.

(2) In the case, however, of assets held as financial fixed assets, of assets to be included under Assets items 9 (Intangible fixed assets) and 10 (Tangible fixed assets) in the balance sheet format and of transactions undertaken to cover such assets, any such difference may be deducted from or credited to any non-distributable reserve available for the purpose.

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

Preliminary

47.—(1) Any information required in the case of a company by the following provisions of this Part shall be given by way of a note to the accounts, unless otherwise provided.

(2) Subject to sub-paragraph (3), in respect of every item stated in a note to the accounts the corresponding amount for the financial year immediately preceding that to which the accounts relate shall also be stated and where the corresponding amount is not comparable, it shall be adjusted and particulars of the adjustment and the reasons for it shall be given.

(3) Sub-paragraph (2) does not apply to:

(a) paragraphs 55 and 59;

(b) paragraph 13 of Schedule 4A(a);

(c) paragraphs 2, 8(3), 16, 21(1)(d), 22(4) and (5), 24(3) and (4) and 27(3) and (4) of Schedule 5(b); and

(d) Parts II and III of Schedule 6(c) as modified by Part IV of this Schedule (loans and other dealings in favour of directors).

General*Disclosure of accounting policies*

48. The accounting policies adopted by the company in determining the amounts to be included in respect of items shown in the balance sheet and in determining the profit or loss of the company shall be stated (including such policies with respect to the depreciation and diminution in value of assets).

49. It shall be stated whether the accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and particulars of any material departure from those standards and the reasons for it shall be given.

Sums denominated in foreign currencies

50. Where any sums originally denominated in foreign currencies have been brought into account under any items shown in the balance sheet format or the profit and loss account formats, the basis on which those sums have been translated into sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up) shall be stated.

Information supplementing the balance sheet*Share capital and debentures*

51.—(1) The following information shall be given with respect to the company's share capital:

(a) the authorised share capital; and

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- (a) Schedule 4A was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(2) of and Schedule 2 to the 1990 Order.
 (b) Schedule 5 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 8(2) of and Schedule 3 to the 1990 Order.
 (c) Schedule 6 has been amended by section 108 of and Schedules 6 and 7 to the Banking Act 1987 (c. 22) and by Articles 8(4) and 26 of and Schedules 4 and 15 to the 1990 Order.

- (b) where shares of more than one class have been allotted, the number and aggregate nominal value of shares of each class allotted.
- (2) In the case of any part of the allotted share capital that consists of redeemable shares, the following information shall be given:
 - (a) the earliest and latest dates on which the company has power to redeem those shares;
 - (b) whether those shares must be redeemed in any event or are liable to be redeemed at the option of the company or of the shareholder; and
 - (c) whether any (and, if so, what) premium is payable on redemption.

52. If the company has allotted any shares during the financial year, the following information shall be given:

- (a) the reason for making the allotment;
- (b) the classes of shares allotted; and
- (c) as respects each class of shares, the number allotted, their aggregate nominal value and the consideration received by the company for the allotment.

53.—(1) With respect to any contingent right to the allotment of shares in the company the following particulars shall be given:

- (a) the number, description and amount of the shares in relation to which the right is exercisable;
- (b) the period during which it is exercisable; and
- (c) the price to be paid for the shares allotted.

(2) In sub-paragraph (1) “contingent right to the allotment of shares” means any option to subscribe for shares and any other right to require the allotment of shares to any person whether arising on the conversion into shares of securities of any other description or otherwise.

54.—(1) If the company has issued any debentures during the financial year to which the accounts relate, the following information shall be given:

- (a) the reason for making the issue;
- (b) the classes of debentures issued; and
- (c) as respects each class of debentures, the amount issued and the consideration received by the company for the issue.

(2) Particulars of any redeemed debentures which the company has power to reissue shall also be given.

(3) Where any of the company’s debentures are held by a nominee of or trustee for the company, the nominal amount of the debentures and the amount at which they are stated in the accounting records kept by the company in accordance with Article 229(a) shall be stated.

Fixed assets

55.—(1) In respect of any fixed assets of the company included in any assets item in the company’s balance sheet the following information shall be given by reference to each such item:

- (a) the appropriate amounts in respect of those assets included in the item as at the date of the beginning of the financial year and as at the balance sheet date respectively;

(a) Article 229 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 4 of the 1990 Order.

- (b) the effect on any amount included in the item in respect of those assets of:
- (i) any determination during that year of the value to be ascribed to any of those assets in accordance with paragraph 41;
 - (ii) acquisitions during that year of any fixed assets;
 - (iii) disposals during that year of any fixed assets; and
 - (iv) any transfers of fixed assets of the company to and from the item during that year.

(2) The reference in sub-paragraph (1)(a) to the appropriate amounts in respect of any fixed assets (included in an assets item) as at any date there mentioned is a reference to amounts representing the aggregate amounts determined, as at that date, in respect of fixed assets falling to be included under the item on either of the following bases, that is to say:

- (a) on the basis of cost (determined in accordance with paragraphs 36 and 37); or
- (b) on any basis permitted by paragraph 41;

(leaving out of account in either case any provisions for depreciation or diminution in value).

(3) In addition, in respect of any fixed assets of the company included in any assets item in the company's balance sheet, there shall be stated (by reference to each such item):

- (a) the cumulative amount of provisions for depreciation or diminution in value of those assets included under the item as at each date mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(a);
- (b) the amount of any such provisions made in respect of the financial year;
- (c) the amount of any adjustments made in respect of any such provisions during that year in consequence of the disposal of any of those assets; and
- (d) the amount of any other adjustments made in respect of any such provisions during that year.

(4) The requirements of this paragraph need not be complied with to the extent that a company takes advantage of the option of setting off charges and income afforded by paragraph 5(3) of this Part.

56. Where any fixed assets of the company (other than listed investments) are included under any item shown in the company's balance sheet at an amount determined in accordance with paragraph 41, the following information shall be given:

- (a) the years (so far as they are known to the directors) in which the assets were severally valued and the several values; and
- (b) in the case of assets that have been valued during the financial year, the names of the persons who valued them or particulars of their qualifications for doing so and (whichever is stated) the bases of valuation used by them.

57. In relation to any amount which is included under Assets item 10 in the balance sheet format (Tangible fixed assets) with respect to land and buildings there shall be stated:

- (a) how much of that amount is ascribable to land of freehold tenure and how much to land of leasehold tenure; and
- (b) how much of the amount ascribable to land of leasehold tenure is ascribable to land held on long lease and how much to land held on short lease.

58. There shall be disclosed separately the amount of:

- (a) any participating interests; and
- (b) any shares in group undertakings that are held in credit institutions.

Reserves and provisions

59.—(1) Where any amount is transferred:

- (a) to or from any reserves;
- (b) to any provisions for liabilities and charges; or
- (c) from any provision for liabilities and charges otherwise than for the purpose for which the provision was established;

and the reserves or provisions are or would but for paragraph 3(3) of this Part be shown as separate items in the company's balance sheet, the information mentioned in sub-paragraph (2) shall be given in respect of the aggregate of reserves or provisions included in the same item.

(2) That information is:

- (a) the amount of the reserves or provisions as at the date of the beginning of the financial year and as at the balance sheet date respectively;
- (b) any amounts transferred to or from the reserve or provisions during that year; and
- (c) the source and application respectively of any amounts so transferred.

(3) Particulars shall be given of each provision included in Liabilities item 6(c) (Other provisions) in the company's balance sheet in any case where the amount of that provision is material.

Provision for taxation

60. The amount of any provision for deferred taxation shall be stated separately from the amount of any provision for other taxation.

Maturity analysis

61.—(1) A company shall disclose separately for each of Assets items 3(b) and 4 and Liabilities items 1(b), 2(b) and 3(b) the aggregate amount of the loans and advances and liabilities included in those items broken down into the following categories:

- (a) those repayable in not more than three months
- (b) those repayable in more than three months but not more than one year
- (c) those repayable in more than one year but not more than five years
- (d) those repayable in more than five years

from the balance sheet date.

(2) A company shall also disclose the aggregate amounts of all loans and advances falling within Assets item 4 (Loans and advances to customers) which are:

- (a) repayable on demand; or
- (b) are for an indeterminate period, being repayable upon short notice.

(3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1), where a loan or advance or liability is repayable by instalments, each such instalment is to be treated as a separate loan or advance or liability.

Debt and other fixed income securities

62. A company shall disclose the amount of debt and fixed income securities included in Assets item 5 (Debt securities [and other fixed income securities]) and the amount of such securities included in Liabilities item 3(a) (Bonds and medium term notes) that (in each case) will become due within one year of the balance sheet date.

Subordinated liabilities

63.—(1) The following information must be disclosed in relation to any borrowing included in Liabilities item 7 (Subordinated liabilities) that exceeds 10 per cent. of the total for that item:

- (a) its amount;
- (b) the currency in which it is denominated;
- (c) the rate of interest and the maturity date (or the fact that it is perpetual);
- (d) the circumstances in which early repayment may be demanded;
- (e) the terms of the subordination; and
- (f) the existence of any provisions whereby it may be converted into capital or some other form of liability and the terms of any such provisions.

(2) The general terms of any other borrowings included in Liabilities item 7 shall also be stated.

Fixed cumulative dividends

64. If any fixed cumulative dividends on the company's shares are in arrear, there shall be stated:

- (a) the amount of the arrears; and
- (b) the period for which the dividends or, if there is more than one class, each class of them are in arrear.

Details of assets charged

65.—(1) There shall be disclosed, in relation to each liabilities and memorandum item of the balance sheet format, the aggregate amount of any assets of the company which have been charged to secure any liability or potential liability included thereunder, the aggregate amount of the liabilities or potential liabilities so secured and an indication of the nature of the security given.

(2) Particulars shall also be given of any other charge on the assets of the company to secure the liabilities of any other person, including, where practicable, the amount secured.

Guarantees and other financial commitments

66.—(1) There shall be stated, where practicable:

- (a) the aggregate amount or estimated amount of contracts for capital expenditure, so far as not provided for; and
- (b) the aggregate amount or estimated amount of capital expenditure authorised by the directors which has not been contracted for.

(2) Particulars shall be given of:

- (a) any pension commitments included under any provision shown in the company's balance sheet; and
- (b) any such commitments for which no provision has been made;

and where any such commitment relates wholly or partly to pensions payable to past

directors of the company separate particulars shall be given of that commitment so far as it relates to such pensions.

(3) Particulars shall also be given of any other financial commitments, including any contingent liabilities, which:

- (a) have not been provided for;
- (b) have not been included in the memorandum items in the balance sheet format; and
- (c) are relevant to assessing the company's state of affairs.

(4) Commitments within any of the preceding sub-paragraphs undertaken on behalf of or for the benefit of:

- (a) any parent company or fellow subsidiary undertaking of the company; or
- (b) any subsidiary undertaking of the company;

shall be stated separately from the other commitments within that sub-paragraph (and commitments within head (a) shall be stated separately from those within head (b)).

(5) There shall be disclosed the nature and amount of any contingent liabilities and commitments included in Memorandum items 1 and 2 which are material in relation to the company's activities.

Memorandum items: Group undertakings

67.—(1) With respect to contingent liabilities required to be included under Memorandum item 1 in the balance sheet format, there shall be stated in a note to the accounts the amount of such contingent liabilities incurred on behalf of or for the benefit of:

- (a) any parent undertaking or fellow subsidiary undertaking; or
- (b) any subsidiary undertaking

of the company; in addition the amount incurred in respect of the undertakings referred to in head (a) shall be stated separately from the amount incurred in respect of the undertakings referred to in head (b).

(2) With respect to commitments required to be included under Memorandum item 2 in the balance sheet format, there shall be stated in a note to the accounts the amount of such commitments undertaken on behalf of or for the benefit of:

- (a) any parent undertaking or fellow subsidiary undertaking; or
- (b) any subsidiary undertaking

of the company; in addition the amount incurred in respect of the undertakings referred to in head (a) shall be stated separately from the amount incurred in respect of the undertakings referred to in head (b).

Transferable securities

68.—(1) There shall be disclosed for each of Assets items 5 to 8 in the balance sheet format the amount of transferable securities included under those items:

- (a) that are listed and the amount of those that are unlisted; and
- (b) that are listed on a recognised investment exchange other than an overseas investment exchange within the meaning of the Financial Services Act 1986 and the amount of those listed on other exchanges.

(2) In the case of each amount shown in respect of listed securities under sub-paragraph (1)(a), there shall also be disclosed the aggregate market value of those securities, if different from the amount shown.

(3) There shall also be disclosed for each of Assets items 5 and 6 the amount of

transferable securities included under those items that are held as financial fixed assets and the amount of those that are not so held, together with the criterion used by the directors to distinguish those held as financial fixed assets.

Leasing transactions

69. The aggregate amount of all property (other than land) leased by the company to other persons shall be disclosed, broken down so as to show the aggregate amount included in each relevant balance sheet item.

Assets and liabilities denominated in a currency other than sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up)

70.—(1) The aggregate amount, in sterling (or the currency in which the accounts are drawn up), of all assets denominated in a currency other than sterling (or the currency used), together with the aggregate amount, in sterling (or the currency used), of all liabilities so denominated, is to be disclosed.

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph an appropriate rate of exchange prevailing at the balance sheet date shall be used to determine the amounts concerned.

Sundry assets and liabilities

71. Where any amount shown under either of the following items is material, particulars shall be given of each type of asset or liability included therein, including an explanation of the nature of the asset or liability and the amount included with respect to assets or liabilities of that type:

- (a) Assets item 13 (Other assets)
- (b) Liabilities item 4 (Other liabilities).

Unmatured forward transactions

72.—(1) The following shall be disclosed with respect to unmatured forward transactions outstanding at the balance sheet date:

- (a) the categories of such transactions, by reference to an appropriate system of classification;
- (b) whether, in the case of each such category, they have been made, to any material extent, for the purpose of hedging the effects of fluctuations in interest rates, exchange rates and market prices or whether they have been made, to any material extent, for dealing purposes.

(2) Transactions falling within sub-paragraph (1) shall include all those in relation to which income or expenditure is to be included in:

- (a) format 1, item 6 or format 2, items B4 or A3 (Dealing [profits] [losses]),
- (b) format 1, items 1 or 2, or format 2, items B1 or A1, by virtue of notes (1)(b) and (2)(b) to the profit and loss account formats (forward contracts, spread over the actual duration of the contract and similar in nature to interest).

Miscellaneous matters

73.—(1) Particulars shall be given of any case where the cost of any asset is for the first time determined under paragraph 38.

(2) Where any outstanding loans made under the authority of Article 163(4)(b), (bb) or (c)(a) or Article 165 (various cases of financial assistance by a company for

(a) Article 163(4) of the 1986 Order was amended by section 196(4) and (5) of the Financial Services Act 1986 (c. 60) and by Articles 62(4) and 67 of, and paragraph 13 of Schedule 3 to, the Companies (No. 2) (Northern Ireland) Order 1990 (S.I. 1990/1504 (N.I. 10)).

purchase of its own shares) are included under any item shown in the company's balance sheet, the aggregate amount of those loans shall be disclosed for each item in question.

(3) The aggregate amount which is recommended for distribution by way of dividend shall be stated.

Information supplementing the profit and loss account

Separate statement of certain items of income and expenditure

74.—(1) The amount respectively set aside for redemption of share capital and for redemption of loans shall be stated.

(2) The amount of income from listed investments shall be stated.

(3) The amount charged to revenue in respect of sums payable in respect of the hire of plant and machinery shall be stated.

Particulars of tax

75.—(1) The basis on which the charge for United Kingdom corporation tax and United Kingdom income tax is computed shall be stated.

(2) Particulars shall be given of any special circumstances which affect liability in respect of taxation of profits, income or capital gains for the financial year or liability in respect of taxation of profits, income or capital gains for succeeding financial years.

(3) The following amounts shall be stated:

(a) the amount of the charge for United Kingdom corporation tax;

(b) if that amount would have been greater but for relief from double taxation, the amount which it would have been but for such relief;

(c) the amount of the charge for United Kingdom income tax; and

(d) the amount of the charge for taxation imposed outside the United Kingdom of profits, income and (so far as charged to revenue) capital gains.

These amounts shall be stated separately in respect of each of the amounts which is shown under the following items in the profit and loss account, that is to say format 1 item 16, format 2 item A10 (Tax on [profit] [loss] on ordinary activities) and format 1 item 21, format 2 item A13 (Tax on extraordinary [profit] [loss]).

Particulars of income

76.—(1) A company shall disclose, with respect to income included in the following items in the profit and loss account formats, the amount of that income attributable to each of the geographical markets in which the company has operated during the financial year:

(a) format 1 item 1, format 2 item B1 (Interest receivable);

(b) format 1 item 3, format 2 item B2 (Dividend income);

(c) format 1 item 4, format 2 item B3 (Fees and commissions receivable);

(d) format 1 item 6, format 2 item B4 (Dealing profits); and

(e) format 1 item 7, format 2 item B7 (Other operating income).

(2) In analysing for the purposes of this paragraph the source of any income, the directors shall have regard to the manner in which the company's activities are organised.

(3) For the purposes of this paragraph, markets which do not differ substantially from each other shall be treated as one market.

(4) Where in the opinion of the directors the disclosure of any information required by this paragraph would be seriously prejudicial to the interests of the company, that information need not be disclosed, but the fact that any such information has not been disclosed must be stated.

Particulars of staff

77.—(1) The following information shall be given with respect to the employees of the company:

- (a) the average number of persons employed by the company in the financial year; and
- (b) the average number of persons so employed within each category of persons employed by the company.

(2) The average number required by sub-paragraph (1)(a) or (b) shall be determined by dividing the relevant annual number by the number of weeks in the financial year.

(3) The relevant annual number shall be determined by ascertaining for each week in the financial year:

- (a) for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(a), the number of persons employed under contracts of service by the company in that week (whether throughout the week or not); and
- (b) for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(b), the number of persons in the category in question of persons so employed;

and, in either case, adding together all the weekly numbers.

(4) In respect of all persons employed by the company during the financial year who are taken into account in determining the relevant annual number for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(a) there shall also be stated the aggregate amounts respectively of:

- (a) wages and salaries paid or payable in respect of that year to those persons;
- (b) social security costs incurred by the company on their behalf; and
- (c) other pension costs so incurred.

save in so far as those amounts or any of them are stated in the profit and loss account.

(5) The categories of persons employed by the company by reference to which the number required to be disclosed by sub-paragraph (1)(b) is to be determined shall be such as the directors may select having regard to the manner in which the company's activities are organised.

Management and agency services

78. A company providing any management and agency services to customers shall disclose that fact, if the scale of such services provided is material in the context of its business as a whole.

Subordinated liabilities

79. Any amounts charged to the profit and loss account representing charges incurred during the year with respect to subordinated liabilities shall be disclosed.

Sundry income and charges

80. Where any amount to be included in any of the following items is material, particulars shall be given of each individual component of the figure, including an explanation of their nature and amount:

(a) in format 1:

- (i) items 7 and 10 (Other operating income and charges)
- (ii) items 18 and 19 (Extraordinary income and charges);

(b) in format 2:

- (i) items A6 and B7 (Other operating charges and income)
- (ii) items A12 and B10 (Extraordinary charges and income).

Miscellaneous matters

81.—(1) Where any amount relating to any preceding financial year is included in any item in the profit and loss account, the effect shall be stated.

(2) The effect shall be stated of any transactions that are exceptional by virtue of size or incidence though they fall within the ordinary activities of the company.

CHAPTER IV

INTERPRETATION OF PART I

General

82. The following definitions apply for the purposes of this Part and its interpretation:

“banking activities” means activities forming part of a deposit-taking business within the meaning of the Banking Act 1987(a);

“banking transactions” means transactions entered into in the normal course of a deposit-taking business within the meaning of the Banking Act 1987;

“financial fixed assets” means loans and advances and securities held as fixed assets; participating interests and shareholdings in group undertakings shall be regarded as financial fixed assets;

“fungible assets” means assets of any description which are substantially indistinguishable one from another;

“lease” includes an agreement for a lease;

“listed security” means a security listed on a recognised stock exchange, or on any stock exchange of repute outside Northern Ireland and the expression “unlisted security” shall be construed accordingly;

“long lease” means a lease in the case of which the portion of the term for which it was granted remaining unexpired at the end of the financial year is not less than 50 years;

“repayable on demand”, in connection with deposits, loans or advances, means those amounts which can at any time be withdrawn or demanded without notice or for which a maturity or period of notice of not more than 24 hours or one working day has been agreed;

(a) 1987 c. 22.

“sale and repurchase transaction” means a transaction which involves the transfer by a credit institution or customer (“the transferor”) to another credit institution or customer (“the transferee”) of assets subject to an agreement that the same assets, or (in the case of fungible assets) equivalent assets, will subsequently be transferred back to the transferor at a specified price on a date specified or to be specified by the transferor; but the following shall not be regarded as sale and repurchase transactions: forward exchange transactions, options, transactions involving the issue of debt securities with a commitment to repurchase all or part of the issue before maturity or any similar transactions;

“sale and option to resell transaction” means a transaction which involves the transfer by a credit institution or customer (“the transferor”) to another credit institution or customer (“the transferee”) of assets subject to an agreement that the transferee is entitled to require the subsequent transfer of the same assets, or (in the case of fungible assets) equivalent assets, back to the transferor at the purchase price or another price agreed in advance on a date specified or to be specified; and

“short lease” means a lease which is not a long lease.

Loans

83. For the purposes of this Part a loan or advance (including a liability comprising a loan or advance) is treated as falling due for repayment, and an instalment of a loan or advance is treated as falling due for payment, on the earliest date on which the lender could require repayment or (as the case may be) payment, if he exercised all options and rights available to him.

Materiality

84. For the purposes of this Part amounts which in the particular context of any provision of this Part are not material may be disregarded for the purposes of that provision.

Provisions

85. For the purposes of this Part and its interpretation:

- (a) references in this Part to provisions for depreciation or diminution in value of assets are to any amount written off by way of providing for depreciation or diminution in value of assets;
- (b) any reference in the profit and loss account formats or the notes thereto set out in Section B of this Part to the depreciation of, or amounts written off, assets of any description is to any provision for depreciation or diminution in value of assets of that description; and
- (c) references in this Part to provisions for liabilities or charges are to any amount retained as reasonably necessary for the purpose of providing for any liability or loss which is either likely to be incurred, or certain to be incurred but uncertain as to amount or as to the date on which it will arise.

Staff costs

86. For the purposes of this Part and its interpretation:

- (a) “social security costs” means any contributions by the company to any state social security or pension scheme, fund or arrangement;
- (b) “pension costs” includes any other contributions by the company for the purposes of any pension scheme established for the purpose of providing

pensions for persons employed by the company, any sums set aside for that purpose and any amounts paid by the company in respect of pensions without first being so set aside; and

- (c) any amount stated in respect of either of the above items or in respect of the item "wages and salaries" in the company's profit and loss account shall be determined by reference to payments made or costs incurred in respect of all persons employed by the company during the financial year who are taken into account in determining the relevant annual number for the purposes of paragraph 77(1)(a).

PART II

CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS

Undertakings to be included in consolidation

1.—(1) An undertaking (other than a credit institution) whose activities are a direct extension of or ancillary to banking business shall not be excluded from consolidation under Article 237(4) (exclusion of undertakings whose activities are different from those of the undertakings consolidated)(a).

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph "banking" means the carrying on of a deposit-taking business within the meaning of the Banking Act 1987.

General application of provisions applicable to individual accounts

2.—(1) In paragraph 1 of Schedule 4A (application to group accounts of provisions applicable to individual accounts)(b), the reference in sub-paragraph (1) to the provisions of Schedule 4 shall be construed as a reference to the provisions of Part I of this Schedule; and accordingly:

- (a) the reference in sub-paragraph (2) to paragraph 59 of Schedule 4 shall be construed as a reference to Note (20) on the balance sheet format set out in Section B of Chapter I of Part I of this Schedule and paragraphs 66(4) and 67 of Part I of this Schedule; and

(b) sub-paragraph (3) shall be omitted.

(2) The general application of the provisions of Part I of this Schedule in place of those of Schedule 4 is subject to the following provisions.

Minority interests and associated undertakings

3.—(1) The provisions of this paragraph shall have effect so as to adapt paragraphs 17 and 21 of Schedule 4A (which require items in respect of "Minority interests" and associated undertakings to be added to the formats set out in Schedule 4) to the formats prescribed by Part I of this Schedule.

(2) The item required to be added to the balance sheet format by paragraph 17(2) shall be added either between Liabilities items 7 and 8 or after Liabilities item 12.

(3) The item required to be added to the profit and loss account format by paragraph 17(3) shall be added:

(a) in the case of format 1, between items 17 and 18; or

(b) in the case of format 2, between items A11 and A12 or between items B9 and B10.

(a) Article 237 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(3) of the 1990 Order.

(b) Schedule 4A was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 7(2) of and Schedule 2 to the 1990 Order.

(4) The item required to be added to the profit and loss account format by paragraph 17(4) shall be added:

(a) in the case of format 1, between items 22 and 23; or

(b) in the case of format 2, between items A14 and A15 or between items B11 and B12.

(5) Paragraph 17(5) shall not apply but for the purposes of paragraph 3(3) of Part I of this Schedule (power to combine items) the additional items required by the foregoing provisions of this paragraph shall be treated as items to which a letter is assigned.

(6) Paragraph 21(2) shall apply with respect to a balance sheet prepared under this Schedule as if it required Assets item 7 (Participating interests) in the balance sheet format to be replaced by the two replacement items referred to in that paragraph.

(7) Paragraph 21(3) shall not apply, but the following items in the profit and loss account formats, namely:

(a) format 1 item 3(b) (Income from participating interests)

(b) format 2 item B2(b) (Income from participating interests),

shall be replaced by the following two replacement items:

(i) "Income from participating interests other than associated undertakings", which shall be shown at position 3(b) in format 1 and position B2(b) in format 2; and

(ii) "Income from associated undertakings", which shall be shown at an appropriate position.

4. Paragraphs 18 and 22(1) of Schedule 4A shall apply as if, in substitution for the references therein to paragraphs 17 to 19 and 21 of Schedule 4, they referred to paragraphs 24 to 26 and 28 of Part I of this Schedule.

Foreign currency translation

5. Any difference between:

(a) the amount included in the consolidated accounts for the previous financial year with respect to any undertaking included in the consolidation or the group's interest in any associated undertaking, together with the amount of any transactions undertaken to cover any such interest; and

(b) the opening amount for the financial year in respect of those undertakings and in respect of any such transactions

arising as a result of the application of paragraph 45 of Part I may be credited to (where (a) is less than (b)), or deducted from (where (a) is greater than (b)), (as the case may be) consolidated reserves.

6. Any income and expenditure of undertakings included in the consolidation and associated undertakings in a foreign currency may be translated for the purposes of the consolidated accounts at the average rates of exchange prevailing during the financial year.

Information as to undertaking in which shares held as a result of financial assistance operation

7.—(1) The following provisions apply where the parent company of a banking group has a subsidiary undertaking which:

(a) is a credit institution of which shares are held as a result of a financial assistance operation with a view to its reorganisation or rescue; and

(b) is excluded from consolidation under Article 237(3)(c) (interest held with a view to resale).

(2) Information as to the nature and terms of the operations shall be given in a note to the group accounts and there shall be appended to the copy of the group accounts delivered to the registrar in accordance with Article 250(a) a copy of the undertaking's latest individual accounts and, if it is a parent undertaking, its latest group accounts.

If the accounts appended are required by law to be audited, a copy of the auditors' report shall also be appended.

(3) If any document required to be appended is in a language other than English, the directors shall annex a translation of it into English, certified in the prescribed manner to be a correct translation.

(4) The above requirements are subject to the following qualifications:

(a) an undertaking is not required to prepare for the purposes of this paragraph accounts which would not otherwise be prepared, and if no accounts satisfying the above requirements are prepared none need be appended;

(b) the accounts of an undertaking need not be appended if they would not otherwise be required to be published, or made available for public inspection, anywhere in the world, but in that case the reason for not appending the accounts shall be stated in a note to the consolidated accounts.

(5) Where a copy of an undertaking's accounts is required to be appended to the copy of the group accounts delivered to the registrar, that fact shall be stated in a note to the group accounts.

(6) Paragraphs (2) to (4) of Article 250 (penalties, &c. in case of default) apply in relation to the requirements of this paragraph as regards the delivery of documents to the registrar as they apply in relation to the requirements of paragraph (1) of that Article.

PART III

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURE: RELATED UNDERTAKINGS

1.—(1) Where accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of this Schedule relating to banking companies or groups:

(a) the information required by paragraphs 8 and 24 of Schedule 5 (information about significant holdings of the company in undertakings other than subsidiary undertakings)(b) need only be given in respect of undertakings (otherwise falling within the class of undertakings in respect of which disclosure is required) in which the company has a significant holding amounting to 20 per cent. or more of the nominal value of the shares in the undertaking; and

(b) the information required by paragraph 27 of Schedule 5 (information about significant holdings of the group in undertakings other than subsidiary undertakings) need only be given in respect of undertakings (otherwise falling within the class of undertakings in respect of which disclosure is required) in which the group has a significant holding amounting to 20 per cent. or more of the nominal value of the shares in the undertaking.

In addition any information required by those paragraphs may be omitted if it is not material.

(a) Article 250 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 13 of the 1990 Order.

(b) Schedule 5 was inserted into the 1986 Order by Article 8(2) of and Schedule 3 to the 1990 Order.

(2) Paragraph 13(3) and (4) of Schedule 5 shall apply *mutatis mutandis* for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(a) and paragraph 32(3) and (4) of that Schedule shall apply *mutatis mutandis* for the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(b).

— in Schedule 9

paragraph 86(b) and (c)
of Part I of that
Schedule”

“social security costs

— in Schedule 4

paragraph 92(1) and (3)
of that Schedule

— in Schedule 9

paragraph 86(a) and (c)
of Part I of that
Schedule”

and

(e) by the:

(i) insertion of the following words at the appropriate place in the entry relating to “lease, long lease and short lease”:

“— in Schedule 9 paragraph 82 of Part I of that Schedule”;

(ii) insertion of the following words at the appropriate place in the entry relating to “provision”:

“— in Schedule 9 paragraph 85 of Part I of that Schedule”.

4. Parts I and II of Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order(a), formed into a new Schedule by regulation 5 and numbered Schedule 9A, shall be amended as follows:

(a) in paragraph 17(2) of Part I, the words from “except in so far as” to the end shall be omitted;

(b) paragraph 27 of Part I is repealed;

(c) in paragraph 28A(b) of Part I, the words “27 or” shall be omitted;

(d) the words “banking or” shall be omitted from the heading to Part II;

(e) the following shall be substituted for paragraph 1 of Part II:

“1. An undertaking (other than one carrying on insurance business) whose activities are a direct extension of or ancillary to insurance business shall not be excluded from consolidation under Article 237(4) (exclusion of undertakings whose activities are different from those of the undertakings consolidated).”;

(f) in paragraph 5 of Part II, the word “an” shall be substituted for the words “a banking or” in sub-paragraph (1) and the words “27 or” in that sub-paragraph and “27(4)” in sub-paragraph (2) shall be omitted; and

(g) paragraph 6 of Part II is repealed.

5. Schedule 10 to the 1986 Order (Directors’ Report where Accounts Prepared in Accordance with Special Provisions for Banking or Insurance Companies or Groups)(c) shall be amended as follows:

(a) the words “banking or” shall be omitted from the heading to the Schedule and also from paragraphs 1(1), 2(1) and 3(1) where they occur; and

(b) the words “(other than banking or discounting or a class prescribed for the purposes of paragraph 17(2) of Part I of Schedule 9)” in paragraph 2(2) shall be omitted.

(a) Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order has been amended by the Financial Services Act 1986 (c. 60) and by Article 20 of, and Schedule 7 to, the 1990 Order.

(b) Paragraph 28A was inserted into Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order by Article 20 of, and paragraph 10 of Part I of Schedule 7 to, the 1990 Order.

(c) A new Schedule 10 to the 1986 Order was substituted by Article 20(5) of, and Schedule 8 to, the 1990 Order.

FURTHER (CONSEQUENTIAL) AMENDMENTS OF THE 1986 ORDER

1.—(1) Schedule 11 (Modifications of Part IX where Company's Accounts Prepared in Accordance with Special Provisions for Banking or Insurance Companies)(a) to the 1986 Order is amended as follows.

(2) The following paragraphs are inserted before paragraph 1 of the Schedule:

"1. Paragraphs 2 to 6 apply where a company has prepared accounts in accordance with the special provisions of Part VIII relating to banking companies and paragraph 7 to 13 apply where a company has prepared accounts in accordance with the special provisions of Part VIII relating to insurance companies.

Modifications where accounts prepared in accordance with special provisions for banking companies

2. Article 272(2) shall apply as if the reference to paragraph 88 of Schedule 4 therein was a reference to paragraph 85(c) of Part I of Schedule 9.

3. Article 277 shall apply as if:

- (a) there were substituted for the words "are shown as an asset" in paragraph (1) the words "are included as an asset"; and
- (b) the reference to paragraph 20 of Schedule 4 in paragraph (2)(b) was to paragraph 27 of Part I of Schedule 9.

4. Articles 278(2) and 283 shall apply as if the references therein to paragraphs 87 and 88 of Schedule 4 were to paragraph 85 of Part I of Schedule 9.

5. Articles 280 and 281 shall apply as if in Article 280(3) there were substituted, for the references to Article 234(b) and Schedule 4, references to Article 263 and Part I of Schedule 9.

6. Article 284 shall apply as if the references to paragraphs 12(a) and 34(3)(a)(c) of Schedule 4 were to paragraphs 19(a) and 44(3)(a) of Schedule 9."

(3) The present paragraphs 1 to 7 shall be renumbered 7 to 13, shall be preceded by the heading "*Modifications where accounts prepared in accordance with special provisions for insurance companies*" and shall be amended as follows:

- (a) the words "Schedule 9A" shall be substituted for the words "Schedule 9" wherever they occur; and
- (b) the words "27 or" shall be omitted in present paragraphs 5(a) and 6(b).

2. In Schedule 21 (provisions applying to unregistered companies), in the entry relating to Part VIII, in column I, for "Schedules 4 to 8" substitute "Schedules 4 to 9" and for "Schedule 9" substitute "Schedule 9A".

(a) Schedule 11 to the 1986 Order has been amended by Article 25 of, and paragraph 24 of Schedule 10 to, the 1990 Order.
 (b) Reference inserted by Article 25 of, and paragraph 7 of Schedule 10 to, the 1990 Order.
 (c) Reference inserted by Article 25 of, and paragraph 9 of Schedule 10 to, the 1990 Order.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

1. These Regulations implement Council Directive 86/635/EEC (O.J. No. L372, 31.12.1986, pages 1-17) on the Annual Accounts and Consolidated Accounts of Banks and Other Financial Institutions, in so far as that Directive is applicable to bodies corporate to which Part VIII of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 ("the 1986 Order") applies.

2. The Regulations firstly amend Schedule 9 to the 1986 Order, which makes special provision for the accounts of banking and insurance companies and groups. The existing Parts I and II of that Schedule are formed by the Regulations into a new Schedule 9A (regulation 5(1)) and confined in their operation to insurance companies and groups. The existing Part III of Schedule 9 is repealed (regulation 5(2)). New Parts I to III are inserted into Schedule 9 by regulation 5(4) and are set out in Parts I to III of Schedule 1. The new Part I lays down rules governing the content of the individual accounts of banking companies, including prescribed formats to be followed, the valuation rules to be applied and the disclosures to be made in the notes to the accounts. The new Part II adapts the general rules of Part VIII of the 1986 Order with respect to the consolidated accounts of a company to the special circumstances of banking groups. The new Part III makes special provision with respect to the disclosures required of banking companies and the parent companies of banking groups in respect of undertakings in which they, or members of their group of companies, have invested.

3. Regulation 3 substitutes new Articles 263 to 263B for the existing Articles of those numbers in Part VIII of the 1986 Order. These Articles introduce the new provisions of Schedule 9 and the new Schedule 9A. *Inter alia*, they define which companies are to prepare group accounts under the special provisions with respect to banking groups.

4. Regulation 4 also amends Article 263C of the 1986 Order, which sets out special rules on the content of the directors' report and presently applies to banking and insurance companies and groups, so that for the future it will only apply to insurance companies and groups.

5. Regulations 6 to 8 make further and consequential amendments.

6. Regulation 9 sets out a transitional provision whereby a company may prepare accounts in accordance with the unamended Part VIII, as that Part applies to banking companies and groups, rather than under the amended provisions for a financial year commencing prior to 23rd December 1992.