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STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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**1996 No. 323**

**Magistrates' Courts (Children (Northern Ireland)  
Order 1995) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1996**

**Investigation under Article 56**

27.—(1) On giving a direction under Article 56 the court shall adjourn the proceedings and the clerk of petty sessions shall record the direction in Form C35.

(2) A copy of the direction recorded under paragraph (1) shall, as soon as practicable after the direction is given be served by the clerk of petty sessions on the parties to the proceedings in which the direction is given and, where the appropriate authority is not a party, on that authority.

(3) When serving the copy of the direction on the appropriate authority the clerk of petty sessions shall also serve copies of such of the documentary evidence which has been or is to be adduced in the proceedings as the court may direct.

(4) Where an authority informs the court of any of the matters set out in Article 56(3)(a) to (c) it shall do so in writing.