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**PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSIONER****Personnel Matters in the Civil Service**

ORDER IN COUNCIL, DATED 20TH MARCH 1970, MADE UNDER SECTIONS 4(2) AND 5(4) OF THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMISSIONER ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1969.

BY THE GOVERNOR IN THE PRIVY COUNCIL OF NORTHERN IRELAND

GREY OF NAUNTON

WHEREAS by Section 4(2) of the Parliamentary Commissioner Act (Northern Ireland) 1969(a) it is provided that the Governor may by Order in Council amend Schedule 1 of the said Act which lists the Government departments and other authorities subject to investigation by the Commissioner;

AND WHEREAS by Section 5(4) of the said Act it is provided that the Governor may by Order in Council exclude from the provisions of Schedule 2 of the said Act any action or matter described in the said Schedule 2, being actions or matters not subject to investigation by the Commissioner;

AND WHEREAS it is further provided by Sections 4(3) and 5(5) of the said Act that the Governor shall not be recommended to make such Order until a draft thereof has been laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament; \*

NOW THEREFORE I, RALPH FRANCIS ALNWICK, BARON GREY OF NAUNTON, Knight Grand Cross of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George, Knight Commander of the Royal Victorian Order, Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, Governor of Northern Ireland, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council of Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by Sections 4(2) and 5(4) of the said Act do hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Parliamentary Commissioner Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 1970 and shall come into operation with effect from 1st April 1970.

2. After the entry relating to Ministry of Commerce in Schedule 1 to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act (Northern Ireland) 1969 (departments and authorities subject to investigation) there shall be inserted the words "Ministry of Community Relations".

3. For paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to the said Act (exclusion of personnel matters relating to Crown service and certain other public employment) the following shall be substituted:—

"7. Action taken in respect of appointments or removals, pay, discipline, superannuation or other personnel matters in relation to—

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(a) 1969. c. 10 (N.I.).

\*A draft of this Order was approved by a Resolution of each House of Parliament on the 18th March 1970.

- (a) service in any office or employment under the Crown or under any authority listed in Schedule 1 other than service in the Civil Service in any Government department or other authority listed in that Schedule;
- (b) service in any office or employment (other than service in the Civil Service in any Government department or other authority listed in Schedule 1) or under any contract for services in respect of which power to take action, or to determine or approve the action to be taken, in such matters is vested in the Governor, any Minister or Ministry, or any such authority as aforesaid."

Given at Government House, Hillsborough, this 20th day of March 1970.

*J. D. Chichester-Clark*  
*H. V. Kirk*  
*Robert Simpson*

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)*

This Order adds the Ministry of Community Relations to Schedule 1 and amends paragraph 7 of Schedule 2 to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act (Northern Ireland) 1969. The effect will be to bring within the Commissioner's jurisdiction—

- (i) action taken by or on behalf of the Ministry of Community Relations and
- (ii) action taken by Government departments in respect of appointments or removals, pay, discipline, superannuation or other personnel matters relating to service in the Civil Service in any Government department or other authority listed in Schedule 1.