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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 2

#### RULES FOR REDISTRIBUTION OF SEATS

##### *General and supplementary*

- 7 It shall not be the duty of a Boundary Commission to aim at giving full effect in all circumstances to the above rules, but they shall take account, so far as they reasonably can—
- (a) of the inconveniences attendant on alterations of constituencies other than alterations made for the purposes of rule 4, and
  - (b) of any local ties which would be broken by such alterations.
- 8 In the application of rule 5 to each part of the United Kingdom for which there is a Boundary Commission—
- (a) the expression “electoral quota” means a number obtained by dividing the electorate for that part of the United Kingdom by the number of constituencies in it existing on the enumeration date,
  - (b) the expression “electorate” means—
    - (i) in relation to a constituency, the number of persons whose names appear on the register of parliamentary electors in force on the enumeration date under the Representation of the People Acts for the constituency,
    - (ii) in relation to the part of the United Kingdom, the aggregate electorate as defined in sub-paragraph (i) above of all the constituencies in that part,
  - (c) the expression “enumeration date” means, in relation to any report of a Boundary Commission under this Act, the date on which the notice with respect to that report is published in accordance with section 5(1) of this Act.
- 9 In this Schedule, a reference to a rule followed by a number is a reference to the rule set out in the correspondingly numbered paragraph of this Schedule.

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