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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 7

DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION BY OMBUDSMEN

The Northern Ireland Commissioner for Complaints

9 At the end of Article 21 of the ^{M1}Commissioner for Complaints (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (disclosure of information by Commissioner) there is inserted—

“(5) Information obtained from the Information Commissioner by virtue of section 76 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 shall be treated for the purposes of paragraph (1) as obtained for the purposes of an investigation under this Order and, in relation to such information, the reference in paragraph (1)(a) to the investigation shall have effect as a reference to any investigation.”

Marginal Citations

M1 [S.I. 1996/1297 \(N.I. 7\)](#).

10 After that Article there is inserted—

Disclosure of information to Information Commissioner

“21A(1) The Commissioner may disclose to the Information Commissioner any information obtained by, or furnished to, the Commissioner under or for the purposes of this Order if the information appears to the Commissioner to relate to—

- (a) a matter in respect of which the Information Commissioner could exercise any power conferred by—
 - (i) Part V of the Data Protection Act 1998 (enforcement),
 - (ii) section 48 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (practice recommendations), or
 - (iii) Part IV of that Act (enforcement), or
- (b) the commission of an offence under—
 - (i) any provision of the Data Protection Act 1998 other than paragraph 12 of Schedule 9 (obstruction of execution of warrant), or
 - (ii) section 77 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (offence of altering etc. records with intent to prevent disclosure).

(2) Nothing in Article 21(1) applies in relation to the disclosure of information in accordance with this Article.”

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