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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 14

#### MINOR AND CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

##### *Computer Misuse Act 1990 (c. 18)*

28 After that section there is inserted—

#### **“16A Northern Ireland: search warrants for offences under section 1**

- (1) Where a county court judge is satisfied by information on oath given by a constable that there are reasonable grounds for believing—
  - (a) that an offence under section 1 above has been or is about to be committed in any premises, and
  - (b) that evidence that such an offence has been or is about to be committed is in those premises,he may issue a warrant authorising a constable to enter and search the premises, using such reasonable force as is necessary.
- (2) The power conferred by subsection (1) above does not extend to authorising a search for material of the kinds mentioned in Article 11(2) of the Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 (privileged, excluded and special procedure material).
- (3) A warrant under this section—
  - (a) may authorise persons to accompany any constable executing the warrant; and
  - (b) remains in force for twenty-eight days from the date of its issue.
- (4) In exercising a warrant issued under this section a constable may seize an article if he reasonably believes that it is evidence that an offence under section 1 above has been or is about to be committed.
- (5) In this section “premises” includes land, buildings, movable structures, vehicles, vessels, aircraft and hovercraft.
- (6) This section extends only to Northern Ireland.”

#### **Commencement Information**

**II** Sch. 14 para. 28 in force at 1.10.2008 for N.I. by [S.I. 2008/2503](#), [art. 3\(b\)](#)

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