

*These notes refer to the Counter-Terrorism Act 2008
(c.28) which received Royal Assent on 26 November 2008*

COUNTER-TERRORISM ACT 2008

EXPLANATORY NOTES

COMMENTARY ON SECTIONS

Part 1 – Powers to Gather and Share Information

Retention and use of fingerprints and samples

Section 15 – Material subject to the Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order 1989

50. **Section 15** amends PACE NI to make changes for Northern Ireland that have the same effect to those made above to PACE for England and Wales. These will permit samples and fingerprints to be checked against records held by or on behalf of the Security Service or the Secret Intelligence Service and for the use of such samples to be expanded to include when it is in the interests of national security.