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## SCHEDULES

### SCHEDULE 3

#### FURTHER PROVISION ABOUT THE REFERENDUM

##### *Counting officers*

- 3 (1) This paragraph applies to determine, for the purposes of the referendum, who is a counting officer in relation to a voting area.
- (2) The counting officer for a voting area that is—
- (a) a district in England,
  - (b) a county in England, or
  - (c) a London borough,
- is the person who, by virtue of section 35 of the 1983 Act, is the returning officer for elections of councillors of the district, county or borough.
- (3) The counting officer for the City of London voting area is the person who, by virtue of that section, is the returning officer for elections of councillors of the London borough of Westminster.
- (4) The counting officer for the Isles of Scilly voting area is the person who, by virtue of that section, is the returning officer for elections to the Council of the Isles of Scilly.
- (5) The counting officer for a voting area that is a county or a county borough in Wales is the person who, by virtue of that section, is the returning officer for elections of councillors of the county or county borough.
- (6) The counting officer for a voting area that is a local government area in Scotland is the person who, by virtue of section 41 of the 1983 Act, is the returning officer for elections of councillors of the local government area.
- (7) The counting officer for the Northern Ireland voting area is the Chief Electoral Officer for Northern Ireland.
- (8) The counting officer for the Gibraltar voting area is the Clerk to the Gibraltar Parliament.
- 4 (1) Accordingly, section 128 of the 2000 Act (Chief Counting Officers, and counting officers, for referendums) has effect for the purposes of the referendum with the following modifications.
- (2) For the purposes of the referendum subsection (3) is to be treated as omitted.
- (3) Subsection (5) has effect for the purposes of the referendum as if for the words “the area for which he is appointed” there were substituted “the voting area for which the counting officer acts”.

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- (4) Subsection (9) has effect for the purposes of the referendum as if—
- (a) for paragraph (a) there were substituted—
    - “(a) voting area” has the meaning given by section 11 of the European Union Referendum Act 2015;”,
  - (b) paragraph (b) were omitted, and
  - (c) for paragraph (c) there were substituted—
    - “(c) the referendum area” means the United Kingdom and Gibraltar.”

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