EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Under section 73 of the Education (Scotland) Act 1980 the Secretary of State may in accordance with regulations made by him make payment of such sums as appear to him appropriate for various purposes. Section 74(1) of the Act enables the Secretary of State to prescribe in regulations conditions and requirements with which the recipients of the grant must comply.

These Regulations revoke and replace the Education (Grants for Training of Teachers and Community Education Workers) (Scotland) Regulations 1986 and the Education (Grants for Training of Teachers and Community Education Workers) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 1987. They continue to provide for the payment to education authorities of grants in respect of teachers undergoing in-service training courses in the subject areas listed in the Schedule to the Regulations which has been brought up to date to take account of available courses. "Teacher" is defined to include educational psychologists.

The Regulations also make provision for the payment of grants to local authorities in respect of the attendance of community education workers at these courses and provide a definition of "community education worker". Provision is made for repayment of grant should a teacher or community education worker fail to complete a course.