#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2000 No. 541

# The Asylum Support Appeals (Procedure) Rules 2000

### Determination of appeal

### Hearing of appeal in absence of either party

- **9.**—(1) If an appellant has indicated in his notice of appeal that he does not want to attend, or be represented at, an oral hearing, the hearing may proceed in his absence.
  - (2) Where:
    - (a) an appellant has indicated in his notice of appeal that he wants to attend, or be represented at, an oral hearing;
    - (b) he has been notified of the date, time and place of the hearing in accordance with rule 7; and
- (c) neither he nor his representative (if he has one) attends the hearing; the hearing may proceed in his absence.
- (3) Where neither the Secretary of State nor his representative (if he has one) attends the hearing, it may proceed in his absence.