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PART VI

VISITING COMMITTEES

General duties of visiting committees

- **61.**—(1) The visiting committee of a detention centre shall satisfy themselves as to the state of the detention centre premises, the administration of the detention centre and the treatment of the detained persons.
- (2) The committee shall inquire into and report upon any matter into which the Secretary of State asks them to inquire.
- (3) The committee shall direct the attention of the manager to any matter which calls for his attention, and shall report to the Secretary of State any matter which they consider expedient to report.
- (4) The committee shall inform the Secretary of State immediately of any abuse which comes to their knowledge.
- (5) The committee shall bring to the attention of the Secretary of State any aspect of the process of consideration of the immigration status of any detained person that causes them concern insofar as it affects that detained person's continued detention.
- (6) Subject to paragraph (5) the committee shall not concern themselves with any issue directly relating to the immigration status of any detained person under the Immigration Acts.
- (7) Before exercising any power under these Rules the committee and any member of the committee shall consult the manager in relation to any matter which may affect safety and security.