## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2003 No. 2601

## The National Crime Squad (Dispensation from Requirement to Investigate Complaints) Regulations 2003

## Dispensation from requirement to investigate complaints

- **3.**—(1) The appropriate authority may request the Authority to dispense with the requirements of Chapter 1 of Part 4 of the 1996 Act (to the extent that they have not already been satisfied) as respects a complaint where it is of the opinion that paragraph (2) or (3) applies and that it is appropriate to do so.
- (2) A complaint is an anonymous or a repetitious one within the meaning of paragraph 2 or 3 of the Schedule to these Regulations, or that a complaint is vexatious, oppressive or otherwise an abuse of the procedures for dealing with complaints, or that it is not reasonably practicable to complete the investigation of a complaint, within the meaning of paragraph 4 thereof.
- (3) More than 12 months have elapsed between the incident, or the latest incident, giving rise to the complaint and the making of the complaint and either that no good reason for the delay has been shown or that injustice would be likely to be caused by the delay.