

## SCHEDULE 2

### SCOTTISH PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION RULES

#### PART IV

#### FINAL PROCEEDINGS IN CONTESTED AND UNCONTESTED ELECTIONS

##### **Allocation of seats**

**64.**—(1) The regional returning officer shall calculate the total number of regional votes given for each registered party and each individual candidate in all of the constituencies included in the region by adding together the votes given for that registered party or, as the case may be, individual candidate as shown in the statements received under rule 61.

(2) An individual candidate for return as a regional member or his election agent, or the election agent for a party standing nominated (or, in the absence of such agent, any candidate included in that party's list) may, prior to the allocation of the seats by the regional returning officer under paragraph (3), if present when the calculation under paragraph (1) (or any recalculation under this paragraph) is completed, require the regional returning officer to recalculate or again recalculate the total number of regional votes given for each registered party and each individual candidate in all of the constituencies included in the region, but the regional returning officer may refuse to do so if in his opinion the request is unreasonable.

(3) The regional returning officer shall then allocate the seats in accordance with sections 7 and 8 of the 1998 Act.