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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Regulations)*

These Regulations amend the Police Federation Regulations 1969 (“the 1969 Regulations”) so as to extend the scope of regulation 6A(4), which provides that a person chosen to be secretary of a joint branch board (or, in the metropolitan police, the Joint Executive Committee) becomes an additional member of one of the branch boards constituting the joint branch board (or the Joint Executive Committee).

Regulation 2(2) of these Regulations replaces regulation 6A(4) of the 1969 Regulations with three new paragraphs having the effect that the secretary, the chairman and any other officer of a joint branch board, the Joint Executive Committee or a branch board of the metropolitan police specified in rules made by the board or Committee with the approval of the chief officer of the police force (or, in the metropolitan police, the Commissioner) becomes an additional member.

Regulation 2(3) of these Regulations amends Schedule 2 to the 1969 Regulations in order to regularise the position of a person elected to one of the offices listed above before these Regulations come into force, or in the period from the date of coming into force until the end of 2011, by removing any question as to his eligibility on the basis that he was not a member of the board or committee in question. By the end of 2011 elections will have been held in respect of all of the offices in question, and the new paragraphs in regulation 6A of the 1969 Regulations will ensure that the persons elected are additional members.

In replacing regulation 6A(4) of the 1969 Regulations, these Regulations also correct an error – regulation 6A(4) as originally inserted by the Police Federation (Amendment) Regulations 2004 (S.I. 2004/2660) refers to elections held under “this regulation”, but it is regulation 6 rather than regulation 6A which governs elections to branch boards.