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APPENDIX 3

Orders necessary to comply with EC Directives and where there is no local or national discretion possible but where separate Northern Ireland provision is required

The Wildlife (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1995

The main purpose of this Order was to bring the Wildlife (NI) Order 1985 into line with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 so as to allow full implementation of the EC Wild Birds Directive.

The Order does not give effect to a policy approach in Northern Ireland separate or distinct from the rest of the UK and does not reflect or provide for different local administrative structures or arrangements.

Food Safety (Amendment) (Northern Ireland) Order 1996

The main purpose of this Order was to give DANI regulation making powers to enable it to implement various EC Meat Hygiene Directives. Other amendments brought Northern Ireland into line with GB's Food Safety Act 1990.

Legislation on food safety is mostly EC driven and made on a parity basis with GB. The Order did not, therefore, give effect to a policy approach in Northern Ireland separate or distinct from the rest of the UK and, as a consequence, did not reflect or provide for different local administrative structures or arrangements.