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1. Liaison Sub-committee of Plenary on Decommissioning

A Liaison Sub-committee of Plenary on Decommissioning (the Committee on Decommissioning) shall be established comprised of representatives of all participants in the negotiations. It shall be chaired by the Chairperson of the Plenary and will report regularly to the Plenary.

Responsibilities

The Committee will be charged with assisting the implementation of all aspects of decommissioning as set out in the Report of the International Body. In particular it will be required:

to consider any legislative proposals by either government, and any proposed regulations;

to consider the type of scheme or schemes for decommissioning and the role of the Independent Commission in respect of same;

to consider proposals for such schemes drawn up by the Independent Commission, and to submit any agreed opinion on these proposals for consideration by the Commission.

2. Independent Commission

An Independent Commission shall operate in both jurisdictions with appropriate immunity as determined by the special legislation and regulations on decommissioning enacted by the British and Irish Parliaments. It shall be furnished with independent legal and technical advisors and, where appropriate, shall be given access to the technical expertise of the British and Irish Security forces.

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Responsibilities

to consult with the Committee on Decommissioning, both Governments, and others whom it deems relevant on the type of scheme or schemes for decommissioning including the role of the Independent Commission in respect of each scheme;

to present to both Governments proposals for schemes having due regard to the views expressed by the Committee on Decommissioning;

to facilitate, observe, monitor and verify decommissioning and to receive and audit armaments, according to the schemes laid down;

to report periodically to the Committee on Decommissioning and to both Governments.

3. Sub-Committee of Plenary on Confidence-Building Measures

A sub-Committee of the Plenary on Confidence-building Measures shall be established comprised of representatives of all participants in the negotiations. It shall be chaired by the Chairperson of the Plenary and will report regularly to the plenary.

Responsibilities

The Committee will be charged with monitoring developments in relation to any of the confidence-building measures mentioned in the report of the International Body which participants may raise, and any others which may be referred to it, by agreement, by the plenary. In particular it will be expected

to review developments in relation to such measures

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to consider any reports on such measures as may be submitted by those with responsibility for the issue in question

to draw to the attention of the Chairman of the relevant strand any institutional or systemic implications which may arise from its consideration of particular confidence-building measures.

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