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1. Areas for co-operation with a view to taking a common approach to policy

Teacher qualifications

Medical emergency/accident planning

Development and support of indigenous industries and the small business sector

Management development services to industry

Trading standards

Promotion of industrially and commercially based research

Establishment of university and industry-based centres of research excellence

Public purchasing

Common Fisheries Policy

Fish Health

Fisheries education, research and training

Marine matters

Energy projects

2. Areas for decision-taking on common or joint action

Support for the Irish language

All-Ireland school competitions

Exchanges of teaching staff

Joint cultural promotions abroad

Environmental protection

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Waste management

Transport matters including roads

Pollution control

Regional development strategies

Mapping

Wildlife conservation

EU initiatives including the North/South INTERREG programme, the Special Programme for Peace and Reconciliation and LEADER II (or its successor)

General hospital services

Disease registries

Medical teaching and training

Public health and health promotion

Clinical waste disposal

Clinical trials

Food safety

North/South trade

Promotion and marketing of exports of food, manufactured goods and services

Inward investment

Tourism promotion, marketing and research

Aquaculture

Inland waterways

Action against welfare fraud

Support and promotion of sport

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