

# Fair Trading Act 1973

# **1973 CHAPTER 41**

#### PART V

### **MERGERS**

Newspaper merger references

## Report on newspaper merger reference

- (1) In making their report on a newspaper merger reference, the Commission shall include in it definite conclusions on the questions comprised in the reference, together with—
  - (a) such an account of their reasons for those conclusions, and
  - (b) such a survey of the general position with respect to the transfer of a newspaper or of newspaper assets to which the reference relates, and of the developments which have led to that position,

as in their opinion are expedient for facilitating a proper understanding of those questions and of their conclusions.

(2) Where on such a reference the Commission find that the transfer of a newspaper or of newspaper assets in question might operate against the public interest, the Commission shall consider whether any (and, if so, what) conditions might be attached to any consent to the transfer in order to prevent the transfer from so operating, and may, if theythinkfit, include in their report recommendations as to such conditions.