



Intelligence Services Act 1994

CHAPTER 13

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GCHQ

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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 1 —

Preliminary

- 1 Any person may complain to the Tribunal if he is...

References and investigations by the Tribunal

- 2 If and so far as the complaint alleges that anything...
 3 Subject to paragraph 2 above and paragraph 4 below, the...
 4 If, in the course of the investigation of a complaint...

Functions of the Commissioner in relation to complaints

- 5 (1) Where a reference is made to the Commissioner under...

Report of conclusions

- 6 (1) Where the Tribunal determine under paragraph 3 above that...

Special references by Tribunal to Commissioner

- 7 (1) If in any case investigated by the Tribunal—

Remedies

- 8 (1) Where the Tribunal give a complainant notice of such...

Supplementary

- 9 The persons who may complain to the Tribunal under this...
 10 (1) No complaint shall be entertained under this Schedule if...
 11 Any reference in this Schedule to a complainant's property includes—...

SCHEDULE 2 —

Constitution of the Tribunal

- 1 (1) The Tribunal shall consist of not less than three...

President and Vice-President

- 2 (1) Her Majesty may by Royal Warrant appoint as President...

Procedure

- 3 The functions of the Tribunal in relation to any complaint...
 4 (1) It shall be the duty of every member of...

Salaries and expenses

- 5 (1) The Secretary of State shall pay to the members...

Staff

- 6 (1) The Secretary of State may, after consultation with the...

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Parliamentary disqualification

7 (1) In Part II of Schedule 1 to the House...

SCHEDULE 3 — THE INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

Tenure of office

1 (1) Subject to the provisions of this paragraph, a member...

Procedure

2 (1) Subject to the following provisions of this Schedule, the...

Access to information

3 (1) If the Director-General of the Security Service, the Chief...

Sensitive information

4 The following information is sensitive information for the purposes of...

SCHEDULE 4 — CONSEQUENTIAL AMENDMENTS

The Security Service Act 1989

- 1 (1) In section 2 of the Security Service Act 1989...
- 2 In section 4(3) of that Act (Security Service Commissioner to...
- 3 In paragraph 4(1) of Schedule 1 to that Act (Security...

The Official Secrets Act 1989

4 In section 4 of the Official Secrets Act 1989 (disclosure...

The Official Secrets Act 1989 (Prescription) Order 1990

5 At the end of Schedule 3 to the Official Secrets...

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to :

- [s. 5\(3B\)\(b\)](#) by [2000 c. 43 Sch. 7 para. 119](#)