

# Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007

#### **2007 CHAPTER 6**

#### Human Rights Commission

## 17 Investigations: terms of reference

(1) After section 69C of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 (inserted by section 16 above) insert—

## "69D Investigations: terms of reference

- (1) A power under section 69A(1) or 69C(1) may be used in relation to an investigation only if the Commission has—
  - (a) prepared terms of reference for the investigation in advance, and
  - (b) sent a copy of the terms of reference to—
    - (i) any person identified in them,
    - (ii) a person responsible for any place of detention specified in them, and
    - (iii) any other person whom the Commission thinks may be affected by the investigation.
- (2) Terms of reference must specify a period within which the investigation must be concluded.
- (3) Subsection (2) does not prevent the Commission from commencing (in accordance with this Part) a new investigation of matters arising out of, or incompletely considered in, an earlier investigation."

# **Changes to legislation:**

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Justice and Security (Northern Ireland) Act 2007, Section 17.