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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 171**

**The Courts-Martial (Royal Air Force) Rules 1997**

**PART V**

**PROCEEDINGS AT COURT-MARTIAL**

**Deliberation on finding**

**70.**—(1) After the summing up, the judge advocate shall withdraw and the court shall close to deliberate on its finding on each charge before it.

(2) If the court requires further direction on the law during its deliberation on a finding on any charge, it shall suspend its deliberation to seek and be given further direction by the judge advocate in open court.

(3) During its deliberation on a finding, the court shall not separate until the finding has been reached unless the judge advocate directs that in the interests of justice the court may separate.

(4) The vote of each member of the court on the finding on each charge shall be given orally in reverse order of seniority.