

SCHEDULE 1

Regulation 7

DEED ESTABLISHING THE CO-OPERATIVE DEPOSIT PROTECTION SCHEME

(As amended by qualifying resolutions of Participating Societies dated 29th May 1989 which also continued the Scheme in force for a further period of ten years after the initial period and by qualifying resolutions of Participating Societies dated 15th January 1997)

THIS DEED is made the 29th day of February 1980 between **CO-OPERATIVE UNION LIMITED** of Holyoake House Hanover Street Manchester (hereinafter called “the Union”) of the one part and **CO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED** of New Century House Corporation Street Manchester (hereinafter called “the Bank”) of the other part

WHEREAS:

- (a) It is the purpose of this Deed to set up a scheme to grant certain protection on the terms and conditions and subject to the limitations hereinafter contained to persons who have deposited money with or who have withdrawable shares in a co-operative society in membership of the Union against the consequences of the insolvency of that society;
- (b) The Treasury is empowered by section 4(4) of the Banking Act 1987 to make regulations prescribing for the purpose of that Section certain transactions;
- (c) It is intended that a co-operative society so in membership which has elected to join the Scheme established by this Deed shall be able to have its taking of deposits so prescribed by the Treasury and that its withdrawable share capital shall be included within the definition of “Deposit” for the purposes of the Scheme.

NOW THIS DEED WITNESSETH AND IT IS HEREBY DECLARED as follows:

1. This Scheme hereby constituted shall be known as the “Co-operative Deposit Protection Scheme”.

2.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) and (3) below, in this Deed “Deposit” shall mean withdrawable share capital and loan capital of a co-operative society and a sum of money paid on terms

- (i) under which it will be repaid in full, with or without interest or a premium, and either on demand or at a time or in circumstances agreed by or on behalf of the person making the payment and the person receiving it; and
- (ii) which are not referable to the provision of property or services or the giving of security;

(2) “Deposit” shall not however include:

- (a) interest unless compounded and added to capital; or
- (b) deposits whether or not secured, having an original term to maturity of more than 5 years; or
- (c) any sum paid to a co-operative society so in membership by a person who at the time it is paid is a director, controller or manager of the society or the wife, husband, son or daughter of such a person;

(3) For the purpose of sub-paragraph 2(1)(ii) above money is paid on terms which are referable to the provision of property or services or to the giving of security if, and only if:

- (i) it is paid by way of advance or part payment for the sale, hire or other provision of property or services of any kind and is repayable only in the event that the property or services is or are not in fact sold, hired or otherwise provided; or
- (ii) it is paid by way of security for payment for the provision of property or services of any kind provided or to be provided by the person by whom or on whose behalf the money is accepted; or

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(iii) it is paid by way of security for the delivery up or return of any property whether in a particular state of repair or otherwise.

(4) In this Deed “a Participating Society” shall mean a co-operative society in membership of the Union which (a) has joined the Scheme by (i) resolution of its governing body adopting and agreeing to the Scheme established by this Deed (ii) paying a joining contribution in accordance with clause 5(2) hereof and (iii) executing and delivering to the Union a Deed of Participation in the Scheme to which Deed the Bank and the Union are parties in the form set out in the First Schedule to this Scheme; and (b) has not ceased in accordance with clause 10(1) hereof to be a Participating Society.

(5) In this Deed “Founding Date” shall mean 1st April 1980.

(6) In this Deed—

“director” shall mean any person who occupies the position of a director by whatever named called;

“controller” shall mean a managing director chief executive or a person in accordance with whose directions or instructions the directors of the co-operative society are accustomed to act; and

“manager” shall mean a person other than the chief executive, employed by a co-operative society who, under the immediate authority of a director or chief executive of the co-operative society, exercises managerial functions or is responsible for maintaining accounts or other records of the co-operative society.

“depositor” shall mean a person who has deposited money with or who is the holder of withdrawable share capital in a co-operative society.

3.—(1) The Union and the Bank hereby agree and declare that, subject as is by this Deed provided, they will hold manage and apply in accordance with the provisions of this Deed the Fund as hereinafter defined (hereinafter called “the Fund”);

(2) The Fund and any investments money or other assets for the time being comprised therein may in the absolute discretion of the Union and the Bank be held in the sole name of the Bank;

(3) Any real property for the time being forming part of the Fund shall be held upon trust for sale;

(4) The Union and the Bank delegate to the Union the duty of administering the Scheme in accordance with the provisions of this Deed; the Union may delegate the administration of the Scheme to a committee to be known as the Co-operative Deposit Protection Scheme Board (“the Board”) comprising the Chairman for the time being and four other members appointed by and from the Central Executive of the Union.

(5) The Union and the Bank delegate to the Bank the investment of the Fund;

(6) The banking administrative and management expenses of the Union and/or the Bank shall be defrayed out of the Fund.

(7) The Union shall convene an Annual General Meeting of Participating Societies to be held at such date time and place as it shall determine and of which it shall give at least 28 clear days notice in writing to the Bank and to all Participating Societies stating the business to be transacted.

(8) For the purpose of regulating the deposit taking business of Participating Societies the Union has issued a Code of Practice the text of which is set out in the Third Schedule hereto. The failure of a Participating Society to observe the provisions of the Code of Practice or to comply with the credit limits stipulated therein may result in the expulsion of that Society from the Scheme pursuant to clause 15 hereof and the Second Schedule hereto.

4.—(1) The Fund shall consist of:

(a) joining and supplementary contributions as hereafter mentioned;

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- (b) monies borrowed for the purposes of the Fund;
 - (c) interest and dividends from investments;
 - (d) dividends recovered in any liquidation;
 - (e) the investments, property and other assets representing from time to time the above or any of them.
- (2) There shall be chargeable to the Fund:
- (a) payments to meet the banking administrative and management expenses of the Union and/or the Bank in accordance with sub clause 3(6) above and clause 14 hereof;
 - (b) refunds to Participating Societies as hereinafter provided;
 - (c) moneys required for the repayment of borrowings and any interest thereon;
 - (d) payments to depositors in respect of protected deposits as hereinafter provided.

5.—(1) Societies which are or are seeking to be Participating Societies shall make 2 classes of contribution, namely

- (i) joining contributions, and
- (ii) supplementary contributions.

(2) At the Founding Date or on joining the Scheme Societies shall make a joining contribution of an amount prescribed by the Union being (a) 0.5 per cent of the deposit base of the Society at that time, such deposit base being the aggregate amount of the deposits recorded in the then most recent annual return of the Society made to the Union provided that such annual return shall not be in respect of a period ending earlier than 2 years before the Founding Date or joining the Scheme as the case may be, but if the amount under (a) above is not calculable or not readily calculable, (b) such amount as the Union shall determine, being an amount (so far as the Union can estimate) equal to or greater than such percentage joining contribution would have been.

(3) The Union shall maintain the net assets of the Fund at such an amount, not being less than £1,000,000 at any time, as the Union and the Bank shall in their absolute discretion consider to be not less than reasonable so as to afford protection to Deposits to the extent provided for in this Scheme and for this purpose the Union may at any time (including on the Founding Date and on joining the Scheme) require Participating Societies to make supplementary contributions of such an amount and on such occasions and in such manner as the Union may determine, it being the intention that the Union (whilst not being required or bound so to do) should exercise its power to require supplementary contributions by fixing the amount of such contributions in proportion to the deposit base (calculated in such manner as the Union shall in its discretion consider reasonable) for each of the Participating Societies.

(4) The failure of a Participating Society to make any supplementary contribution required by the Union pursuant to clause 5(3) above within such time as may be stipulated by the Union may result in the expulsion of that Society from the Scheme pursuant to clause 15 hereof.

6.—(1) A Participating Society shall for the purpose of this Deed and the Scheme hereby constituted become insolvent

- (i) on the making of a winding up order against it; or
- (ii) on the passing of a resolution for a creditors' voluntary winding up.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Deed, if at any time a Participating Society becomes insolvent or is to be treated as insolvent by virtue of Clauses 10(1), 12(2) or 15(4) hereof the Union shall as soon as practicable pay out of the Fund to a depositor who has a protected Deposit with that Society an amount equal to ninety per centum of the protected Deposit, but so that such amount shall in no case exceed £18,000;

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(3) Subject to the provisions of this Deed, a reference to a depositor's protected Deposit is a reference to the total liability of the Participating Society to him, but limited in any event to a maximum of £20,000, in respect of the principal amounts of Deposits made to the Participating Society

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- (i) any such Deposit was not made after such society had ceased to be a Participating Society;
- (ii) the principal amounts of Deposits shall only include any interest or premium which has been credited to the Deposit in question if such interest or premium has been so credited at the time such Society becomes insolvent so as to constitute an accretion to the principal;
- (iii) in determining the total liability of such Society to a depositor for the purposes of this and the previous sub-clause, there shall be deducted the amount of any liability of the depositor to such Society—
 - (a) in respect of which a right of set-off or counter-claim against the Deposit (including in Scotland a right of retention or compensation) existed immediately before such Society became insolvent; or
 - (b) in respect of which such a right would then have existed if the Deposit in question had been repayable on demand and the liability in question had fallen due; and
- (iv) the Union may in its absolute discretion decline to make any payment under this Scheme in respect of a Deposit to a person who, in the opinion of the Union, had any responsibility for, or may have profited directly or indirectly from, the circumstances, or some of the circumstances, giving rise to the financial difficulties of the Participating Society which had become insolvent.

7.—(1) For the purposes of clauses 6 and 8 hereof where any persons are entitled to a Deposit as trustees, then, unless the Deposit is held on trust for a person absolutely entitled to it as against the trustees, the trustees shall be treated as a single and continuing body of persons distinct from the persons who may from time to time be the trustees, and if the same persons are entitled as trustees to different deposits under different trusts or, in Scotland, trust purposes, they shall be treated as a separate and distinct body with respect to each of those trusts or, in Scotland, trust purposes.

(2) For the purposes of this clause a Deposit is held on trust for a person absolutely entitled to it as against the trustees where the person has the exclusive right (subject only to satisfying any outstanding charge, lien or other right of the trustees to resort to the Deposit for payment of duty, taxes, costs or other outgoings) to direct how the Deposit shall be dealt with.

(3) Any reference in sub-clauses (1) and (2) above to a person absolutely entitled to a Deposit as against the trustees includes a reference to two or more persons who are so entitled jointly; and in the application of sub-clause (2) above to Scotland the words in parenthesis from “subject” to “outgoings” shall be omitted.

(4) For the purposes of Clause 6 above and the following provisions of this clause, where a Deposit is held on trust for any person absolutely entitled to it or, as the case may be, for two or more persons so entitled jointly, that person or, as the case may be, those persons jointly shall be treated as entitled to the Deposit without the intervention of any trust.

(5) For the purpose of Clause 6 above where two or more persons are jointly entitled to a Deposit and sub-clause 7(1) above does not apply, each of them shall be treated as having a separate Deposit of an amount produced by dividing the amount of the Deposit to which they are jointly entitled by the number of persons who are so entitled.

(6) The Union may decline to make any payment under clause 6 above in respect of a Deposit until the person claiming to be entitled to it informs the Union of the capacity in which he is entitled to the Deposit; and if it appears to the Union

- (a) that the persons entitled to a Deposit are so entitled as trustees, or
- (b) that sub-clause 7(4) above applies to a Deposit, or
- (c) that two or more persons are jointly entitled to a Deposit otherwise than as trustees,

the Union may decline to make any payment in respect of the Deposit until the Union is satisfied that it has sufficient information to enable it to determine what payment (if any) should be made and to whom.

(7) In this clause “jointly entitled” means—

- (a) In England and Wales and Northern Ireland, beneficially entitled as joint tenants, tenants in common or as coparceners; and
- (b) in Scotland, beneficially entitled as joint owners or owners in common.

8.—(1) Where a Society has become insolvent or is by virtue of Clauses 10(1), 12(2) or 15(4) hereof to be treated as insolvent and any payment is or should be made under this Scheme in respect of a Deposit, the Bank (on behalf of itself and the Union) shall seek to recover all dividends compositions or payments made or to be made in respect of the Deposit (not limited to 90% thereof or otherwise howsoever) and as between the Bank and the depositor the Bank (without prejudice to additional rights arising by virtue by subrogation) shall be entitled to all dividends, compositions and payments up to the amount of the payment made or to be made by the Union under this Scheme and the depositor shall not be entitled to any of such dividends compositions or payments until the whole of the payment made or to be made by the Union under this Scheme shall first have been equalled.

(2) Where a Society has become insolvent or is by virtue of Clauses 10(1), 12(2) or 15(4) hereof to be treated as insolvent, then if and whenever requested by the Bank, the depositor shall by an assignment or in Scotland, an assignation, in writing assign to the Bank his rights and/or execute a declaration of trust in favour of the Bank in respect of his rights to all or any of such dividends compositions and payments and the Bank shall hold the rights so assigned or in respect of which a declaration of trust has been executed first in trust to pay to itself such dividends compositions and payments as it shall be entitled to under the previous sub-clause, and second in trust for the depositor or as he may direct, and the Bank may as attorney for and on behalf of the depositor execute any such assignment assignation or declaration of trust as aforesaid.

(3) Without prejudice to the generality of its rights hereunder the Union and/or the Bank may stipulate as a pre-condition of any payment in respect of a Deposit under the Scheme that an assignment or, in Scotland, an assignation, to it and/or a declaration of trust should be made as aforesaid.

(4) Where a Society has become insolvent or is by virtue of Clauses 10(1), 12(2) or 15(4) hereof to be treated as insolvent it shall be the duty of the Bank and also of the depositor to inform the Liquidator, or where it is treated as insolvent the Society, of the Bank’s rights hereunder as soon as possible with a view to the preservation for the Bank of all such dividends compositions and payments and the depositor shall authorise the Liquidator, or where it is treated as insolvent the Society, to provide on request all relevant information to the Bank.

(5) The Union and/or the Bank shall be entitled for the purposes of the Scheme to have access to and copy such of the books records files and other documents of, and to obtain such information from, any body corporate which is or has been a Participating Society as the Union and/or the Bank (as the case may be) shall in their or its discretion consider necessary or helpful in order to carry the provision of the Scheme into effect.

9. It is the duty of the Union to maintain the net assets of the Fund at such an amount, not being less than £1,000,000 at any time, as the Union and the Bank shall in their absolute discretion consider

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to be not less than reasonable so as to afford protection to Deposits to the extent provided for in this Scheme, but subject as aforesaid the Union and the Bank may during the continuance of this Scheme make such refunds out of the Fund to Participating Societies as they shall consider proper, and such refunds shall be made to such Participating Societies and calculated in such manner as the Union shall in its absolute discretion determine.

10.—(1) Any Participating Society may apply to leave the Scheme by sending written notice to that effect to the Union, and shall, save under the protection of Part II of the Banking Act 1987 cease to accept new Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) and shall within the period of 9 months from the receipt by the Union of such written notice either (i) repay all Deposits (with the exception of the withdrawable share capital) held by it or (ii) secure protection for those Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) under Part II of the Banking Act 1987. At the expiration of the said period of 9 months and subject to the due performance of (i) or (ii) above within that period the Society shall cease to be a Participating Society, and upon such due performance as above within the said period of 9 months there shall be repaid to such Society out of the Fund such sum (if any) as the Union shall in its absolute discretion consider appropriate. Without prejudice to the application of Clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8) in the case of a Participating Society which becomes insolvent during the said period of 9 months, if such Society shall not have duly performed (i) or (ii) above within the said period of 9 months, Clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8 so far as applicable) shall apply to the depositors of such Society who have not had their Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) so repaid or secured as if that Society had become insolvent, but so that any payment thereunder shall be made within 6 months after the end of the said 9 months' period.

(2) Where a Participating Society applies to leave the Scheme and within a period of 9 months from the date of the Society's application to leave the Scheme either repays all deposits other than withdrawable share capital or secures protection for those deposits under Part II of the Banking Act 1987 nevertheless the Scheme shall thereafter continue to give protection in respect of withdrawable share capital for a period of nine months from the date of the Society's application to leave the Scheme **PROVIDED ALWAYS** that no deposits taken by the Society shall be protected deposits for the purposes of the Scheme for any period during which protection for those deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) has been secured under Part II of the Banking Act 1987.

(3) A Participating Society which has applied to leave the Scheme shall thereafter continue to be fully liable for payment of all supplementary contributions required by the Union pursuant to Clause 5(3) above until such time as the Society has ceased to be a Participating Society pursuant to Clause 10(1) above.

(4) A Participating Society which has applied to leave the Scheme shall, save under the protection of Part II of the Banking Act 1987, cease to accept new deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital), and no new deposits taken by a Participating Society after it has applied to leave the Scheme shall be protected deposits for the purposes of the Scheme.

(5) Any Participating Society which applies to leave the Scheme shall forthwith take all such steps as may be necessary to bring its intended withdrawal and the consequences of such withdrawal to the notice of depositors and notice of such intended withdrawal with an explanation of the consequences thereof shall be advertised by the Society in the "Co-operative News" and in any other manner which appears to the Board to be necessary for informing depositors and other members of the public.

(6) New Members admitted to a Participating Society during the period of nine months from the date of a Participating Society's application to leave the Scheme shall be notified in writing by the Society that their deposits with the Society will not be protected deposits for the purposes of the Scheme.

(7) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the following shall rank among the circumstances to be considered by the Union in respect of any such repayment to a society under Clause 10(1) above—

- (a) The amount of the Fund;
- (b) The income generated by the Fund since its inception;
- (c) The expenses borne by the Fund since its inception; and
- (d) Payments out of the Fund in respect of Deposits.

11.—(1) The Scheme shall continue in force, unless earlier terminated, for an initial period of 10 years. (NOTE: By a qualifying resolution of Participating Societies dated 29th May 1989 the Scheme is continued in force for a further period of ten years after the initial period.)

- (2) Subject to sub-clause (3) below, the Scheme may be
 - (a) terminated during such initial period, or
 - (b) continued in force after the initial period or
 - (c) altered at any time

by a qualifying resolution or resolutions (as hereinafter provided).

(3) The perpetuity period applicable in respect of the Scheme shall be the period of eighty years commencing on the Founding Date, and the Scheme shall not be capable of being continued, or of being altered so as to be continued, beyond that period.

- (4) A qualifying resolution may be moved by—
 - (a) the Union; or
 - (b) the Bank; or
 - (c) any Participating Society.

and it shall be moved by giving at least 28 days' clear notice to the Union, and the Bank and all participating Societies of (a) the business to be transacted and (b) the date time and place of the meeting.

(5) Such notice shall be given in writing and sent by post to the last known address of the person or body so to be notified, but the accidental omission to give one or more notices shall not invalidate the meeting or any resolution passed thereat.

(6) A qualifying resolution shall be duly passed and valid if adopted by Participating Societies at such meeting holding between them 75% of the Deposits held at the date of the resolution by Participating Societies and afforded protection by this Scheme (and so that such percentage shall be calculated by reference to the full amount of such Deposits).

(7) The Union or the Bank may veto any qualifying resolution for the alteration or termination of the Scheme moved by a Participating Society which they may in their absolute discretion regard as prejudicial to the best interests of the Scheme of the Union or of the Bank.

12.—(1) Upon termination of the Scheme and in any event at the expiration of the period of 78 years less 1 day from the Founding Date (from which time no new Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) shall, save under the protection of Part II of the Banking Act 1987, be accepted by Participating Societies), all the then Participating Societies shall within the period of 9 months thereafter either

- (i) repay all their Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital); or
- (ii) secure protection for those Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) under Part II of the Banking Act 1987.

(2) If any Participating Society (hereinafter called “a Defaulting Society”) shall not in respect of the Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) taken by it have either

- (i) repaid them, or

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- (ii) secured protection for them under Part II of the Banking Act 1987, within the period of 9 months from
 - (a) such termination or
 - (b) the expiration of the said period of 78 years less 1 day whichever is the sooner,

Clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8 hereof so far as applicable) shall apply to the depositors of that Defaulting Society who have not had their Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) so repaid or secured as if that Defaulting Society had become insolvent but so that any payment thereunder shall be made within 6 months after the end of the said 9 months period.

(3) Subject to any payments required to be made under this Scheme (including under sub-clause (2) above) and subject to the payment or provision of all proper charges for banking and of all the expenses of administering, managing and winding up this Scheme, the Union shall within 15 months after the expiration of the 9 months' period referred to in the preceding sub-clause (2) distribute the Fund among the Participating Societies other than Defaulting Societies in such amounts and in such manner as it shall in its absolute discretion determine but with a view to making repayments in proportion to their respective contributions.

(4) Clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8) shall apply in the case of a Participating Society which becomes insolvent during the said period of 9 months referred to in sub-clause (2) of this Clause. Any payment under the said Clause 6 whether made under the present sub-clause or otherwise shall be made not later than 6 months after the end of the said 9 months period.

(5) If by reason of an amalgamation or transfer of engagements (hereinafter called "a merger") a co-operative society (hereinafter called "the Merged Society") becomes possessed of or entitled to Deposits some of which are protected under this Scheme and some of which are not so protected the following provisions shall apply:

- (a) Forthwith upon the merger's becoming effective the merged Society shall marshal its Deposits into two classes namely
 - (i) the Protected Class, being Deposits taken in circumstances such that they were protected by the Scheme; and
 - (ii) the Unprotected Class, being Deposits not so protected.
- (b) To the Protected Class the Scheme shall continue to give protection subject to its terms and conditions for which purpose the Merged Society shall be treated as a Participating Society.
- (c) The Merged Society shall within a period of three months from the Merger's becoming effective by joining the Scheme arrange protection under the Scheme for the Unprotected Class.
- (d) If the Merged Society shall have failed within the said period by joining the Scheme to obtain protection for all of the Unprotected Class it shall be deemed to have given notice under Clause 10(1) hereof as at the expiration of the said period of 3 months.

(6) If by reason of a merger a Merged Society becomes entitled to or possessed of Deposits all of which were taken in the circumstances such that they were protected under the Scheme the Merged Society shall forthwith upon the merger's becoming effective join the Scheme under Clause 2(4) (a) but shall be relieved of a joining contribution, and if it shall fail to join the Scheme within the period of 3 months from the merger's becoming effective it shall be deemed to have given notice under Clause 10(1) hereof.

13.—(1) All monies in the Fund shall be held by the Bank and unless and until otherwise invested the Bank shall pay to the Fund interest thereon at the published rate for 7 day deposits.

- (2) The Fund may be invested in any one or more of the following:—

- (i) monies held by or deposited with the Bank at interest as aforesaid;
- (ii) Treasury bills payable not more than 91 days from the date of issue;
- (iii) Deposits with or withdrawable share capital of a building society authorised under the Building Societies Act 1986;
- (iv) Deposits with the National Savings Bank and National Girobank;
- (v) Deposits with an authorised institution within the meaning of the Banking Act 1987 or with a European Deposit-Taker within the meaning of regulation 82(3) of the Banking Co-ordination (Second Council Directive) Regulations 1992.
- (vi) The shares of any company registered under the Companies Acts 1985 to 1989 being a company with limited liability operating or intended to operate as an “investment company” within the meaning of section 130 of the Income and Corporation Taxes Act 1988 or any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof for the time being in force and having powers of investment no wider than those set out in paragraphs (i) to (v) above, for the purpose of holding managing investing and applying monies in the Fund, all the shares of which company shall be held by the Bank as nominee for the Scheme.

14.—(1) The Bank may act as bankers to this Scheme and to the Fund and may make advances or loans to the Fund upon the usual terms as to interest and charges in the ordinary course of the Bank’s business and share stockbroker’s commission and generally act as a banker may in relation to his customer and without accounting for any profit so made, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing the Bank shall be entitled to charge and recover from the Fund all proper charges for banking, administration and management (including investment management) provided to the Fund or in respect of this Scheme.

(2) The Union shall be entitled to charge and recover from the Fund all proper charges for administration and management provided to the Fund or in respect of this Scheme.

(3) The Union and the Bank shall be entitled to be fully indemnified out of the Fund and in the case of any shortfall by Participating Societies on a joint and several basis in respect of all costs claims losses liabilities and demands whatsoever which the Bank and the Union or either of them may incur or suffer arising out of or in connection with the administration and management of the Fund or this Scheme.

15.—(1) This clause applies where the Board consider that a Participating Society is in default by reason of:—

- (a) any failure to observe the provisions of the Code of Practice; or
- (b) any failure to comply with the credit limits stipulated in the Code of Practice; or
- (c) any failure to make any supplementary contribution required by the Union pursuant to clause 5(3) above within such time as may be stipulated by the Board.

(2) Where this clause applies then if with respect to the Participating Society the Board considers it expedient to do so having regard to the interests of persons who have deposited money with or who have withdrawable shares in such Society the Board may by notice (an “Expulsion Notice”) to the Participating Society exclude that Society from Participation in the Scheme

And the Second Schedule to this Scheme shall have effect in relation to the giving of an Expulsion Notice under this clause.

(3) Nothing in paragraph (2) above shall prohibit recovery by the Board or the Union of any unpaid supplementary contribution or other monies due to the Scheme.

(4) Upon receipt of an Expulsion Notice under paragraph (2) above a Participating Society shall, save under the protection of Part II of the Banking Act 1987 cease to accept new Deposits and shall within the period of 9 months from the date of the Expulsion Notice either (i) repay all Deposits (with

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the exception of withdrawable share capital) held by it or (ii) secure protection for those Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) under Part II of the Banking Act 1987. At the expiration of the said period of 9 months from the date of the Expulsion Notice and subject to the due performance of (i) or (ii) above within that period the Society shall cease to be a Participating Society, and upon such due performance as above within the said period of 9 months there shall be repaid to such Society out of the Fund such sum (if any) as the Board shall in its absolute discretion consider appropriate provided always that no such repayment shall be made until after the expiration of the said period of 9 months. Without prejudice to the application of clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8) in the case of a Participating Society which becomes insolvent during the said period of 9 months, if such Society shall not have duly performed (i) or (ii) above within the said period of 9 months Clause 6 hereof (and the provisions of Clauses 7 and 8 so far as applicable) shall apply to the depositors of such Society who have not had their Deposits (with the exception of withdrawable share capital) so repaid or secured as if that Society had become insolvent, but so that any payments thereunder shall be made within 6 months after the end of the said 9 month period.

(5) A Participating Society which is aggrieved by a decision under Clause 15(2) above may within 14 days after the day on which it received the Expulsion Notice appeal against the decision to an Appeal Tribunal (the "Appeal Tribunal") comprising the General Secretary for the time being of the National Association of Co-operative Officials the Chairman for the time being of the United Kingdom Co-operative Council and a Life President for the time being of the Society for Co-operative Studies. An appeal under this paragraph shall be made by sending to the Chief Executive Officer and General Secretary of the Union a Notice of Appeal, including a statement of the grounds of appeal, written representations in support of those grounds and any documents that may be relevant for the purposes of the appeal, and the procedure for determining such an appeal shall be as the Appeal Tribunal may direct. On such an appeal the Appeal Tribunal may confirm or revoke the expulsion of the Participating Society from the Scheme, and written notice of the decision (a "Decision Notice") of the Appeal Tribunal, stating the reasons for it, shall be given to the Participating Society and to the Board, and unless the Appeal Tribunal otherwise directs their decision shall take effect when the Decision Notice is so given.

(6) Where a Participating Society is excluded from participation in the Scheme the Board shall forthwith take all such steps as may be necessary to bring its exclusion and the consequences of such exclusion to the notice of depositors and notice of the giving of an Expulsion Notice with an explanation of the consequences thereof shall be published by the Board in the "Co-operative News" and in any other manner which appears to the Board to be necessary for informing depositors and other members of the public. For the purpose of this subclause any Participating Society which is excluded from participation in the Scheme shall at the request of the Board forthwith supply to the Board all necessary information as to the full names and postal addresses of all its members and depositors.

(7) Where a Participating Society is excluded from participation in the Scheme nevertheless the Scheme shall thereafter continue to give protection to all deposits previously taken by that Society in circumstances such that they were protected by the Scheme:—

(a) in respect of protected withdrawable share capital, and undated loan capital, for a period of nine months from the date of the Expulsion Notice;

and

(b) in respect of all other protected deposits for a period of nine months from the date of the maturity of each such deposit held at the date of the Expulsion Notice;

PROVIDED ALWAYS that no deposits taken by the Society shall be protected deposits for the purposes of the Scheme for any period during which protection for those deposits (with the exception of withdrawal share capital) has been secured under Part II of the Banking Act 1987.

Following receipt of an Expulsion Notice a Participating Society shall thereafter continue to be fully liable for payment of all supplementary contributions required by the Union pursuant to

Clause 5(3) above until such time as the Scheme has ceased to give protection to all protected deposits previously taken by that Society.

15.—(8) Where a Participating Society is excluded from participation in the Scheme any new deposits taken by that Society thereafter shall not be protected deposits for the purposes of the Scheme.

IN WITNESS whereof this Deed has been executed by the parties the day and year first before written

SEALED by Co-operative Union Limited

in the presence of:

J. H. Perrow, Chairman

D. L. Wilkinson, General Secretary

SEALED by Co-operative Bank Limited

in the presence of:

L. Lee, Director

G. J. Melmoth, Secretary