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PART VI

VISITING COMMITTEES

Annual report

64.—(1) The visiting committee for a detention centre shall, in accordance with paragraphs (2) and (3), from time to time make a report to the Secretary of State concerning the state of the detention centre and its administration, including in it any advice and suggestions they consider appropriate.

(2) The committee shall comply with any directions given to them from time to time by the Secretary of State as to the following matters—

- (a) the period to be covered by the report under paragraph (1);
- (b) the frequency with which such a report is to be made; and
- (c) the length of time from the end of the period covered by such a report within which it is to be made, either in respect of a particular report or generally, providing that no directions may be issued under this paragraph if they would have the effect of requiring a committee to make or deliver a report less frequently than once in every twelve months.

(3) Subject to any directions given to them under paragraph (2), the committee shall, under paragraph (1), make an annual report to the Secretary of State as soon as reasonably possible after 31st December each year, which shall cover the period of twelve months ending on that date or, in the case of a committee constituted for the first time during that period, such part of that period during which the committee has been in existence.