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## **NEW RELEASES**

**Release of 1976 files at the Public Record Office  
of Northern Ireland**

**A list of the files will be available**

## **Annual Release 1976 files**

### **Introduction**

The annual release of selected official files continues against a background of greater public access through the Freedom of Information Act balanced against the need to protect personal information. The FOI Act (2000) created a new access to information regime and all records were reviewed in accordance with the FOI Act and the Data Protection Act.

Records continue to be brought forward for release as they approach 30 years of age. This involves the referral of the files to the Responsible Authority for sensitivity review. This entails a page by page examination to ensure that a record contains nothing sensitive as defined by the FOI Act and DP Act.

This year's annual release covers the official files with a terminal date of 1976. Of the 607 departmental files examined, 32 were subject to full closure, with an additional 27 subject to partial closure or redaction. Partial closure and redaction (blanking out) are methods to release the bulk of a file and facilitate access by temporarily removing a limited amount of information, the inclusion of which would have resulted in the entire file being closed to the public for an extended period. In the majority of cases, the reason for extended closure was section 40 Personal Information exemption of the FOI Act, which means that personal information cannot be disclosed as it is deemed to be a breach of the Data Protection principles.

## 1976 HIGHLIGHTED FILES

### 1976 FILES RELEASED AT PRONI

#### Constitutional Convention

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| <b>CONV/1/9</b> | 1975-1976 | <b>Chairman's file</b> – correspondence between Robert Lowry, Convention Chairman, with Secretary of State and his office, includes an options' paper for recalling the Convention.<br>Includes a letter from Sir Robert Lowry, 19 November 1975, on his experience as Convention Chair; letter from Merlyn Rees to Lowry, 14 January 1976 about reconvening of Convention; paper by Merlyn Rees on potential constitutional settlements, January 1976. |
| <b>CONV/1/2</b> | 1976-1976 | <b>Notes for the Record</b> - The file includes minutes of meetings with political party leaders and delegations, recording their attitudes towards ongoing talks, etc.   |
| <b>CONV/1/3</b> | 1976-1976 | <b>Miscellaneous Meetings – Notes for the Record</b> – The file includes minutes of meetings with Secretary of State, Merlyn Rees, and SDLP, UUUC delegations, Vanguard, NIO officials, etc, on the way ahead for the Convention.   |

#### Policy Co-ordinating Committee

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| <b>PCC/1/5/28</b> | 3 Nov. 1976  | PCC minutes includes a note on the Paramilitary influence in the building trade.   |
| <b>PCC/1/5/31</b> | 24 Nov. 1976 | PCC minutes includes note of a meeting to discuss Civil Government and the general political and security situation e.g. Action in the Ghettos, Direct Rule Policies, etc. |
| <b>PCC/1/5/30</b> | 17 Nov. 1976 | PCC minutes includes discussion of Northern Ireland Penal System and NIO paper on the future of the Prison Service.  |

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- PCC/1/5/1** 7 Jan. 1976 PCC minutes includes discussion of the report on 'Problems of Young People' and a copy of report that includes discussion of a Young People's Peace Corps, the idea of which is rejected by the committee.
- PCC/1/5/2** 14 Jan. 1976 PCC minutes includes discussion of a memo on proposals for return of services to local government.
- PCC/1/5/7** 10 Mar. 1976 PCC minutes includes NIO report on ending Special Category Status for Prisoners.

### Central Secretariat

- CENT/1/5/3** 1976 **Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland (January – April 1976)** - including reports on Threat to Law and Order dated 4 March 1976; role of RUC and Army in Northern Ireland; report on Community Relations; Security Statistics, October – December 1975; UPNI Security Proposals, February 1976; SDLP proposal re: RUC, February 1976; UUUC memo on Security Policy, February 1976; Alliance Party recommendations on policing, 15 March 1976, etc.
- CENT/1/5/11** May 1976 - June 1976 **Drafts and final report of the Official Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland** - dealing with the threat to law and order and securing police primacy; and redrafts of text, includes summary of recommendations.
- CENT/1/5/6** Apr. 1976 – May 1976 **Papers circulated to the Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland** - includes report from Police Authority; report of the sub committee on community wardens; memo on the comments by Northern Ireland political parties; etc.
- CENT/1/5/5** Feb. 1976 – Apr. 1976 **Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland** - [chaired by John Bourn]; includes background papers on role of Security Forces in Northern Ireland; paramilitary organisations; community relations and the view from Dublin.

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<b>CENT/1/5/7</b>	Feb. 1976 – June 1976	<b>Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland:</b> minutes of meetings.
<b>CENT/1/5/8</b>	Feb 1976 – May 1976	<b>Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland:</b> sub committee on community activities and related problems – reflects official thinking on community attitudes to Police and Army etc., and what can be done to improve situation.
<b>CENT/1/5/9</b>	Jan. 1976 – May 1976	<b>Ministerial Committee on Law and Order in Northern Ireland</b> - comprising minutes of meetings chaired by Merlyn Rees and copies of papers re 'Primacy of the Police'.
<b>CENT/1/5/4</b>	Apr. 1976 – Aug. 1976	<b>Working Party on Law and Order in Northern Ireland</b> - comprising correspondence and papers relating to policy of Police Primacy.
<b>CENT/1/5/45</b>	3 Feb. 1976	<b>Northern Ireland Economic Council, Standing Executive Committee</b> – includes minutes of meetings chaired by Minister of State, Rt Hon. Stanley Orme, relating to industrial situation in Northern Ireland.
<b>CENT/1/5/46</b>	1976	<b>Northern Ireland Economic Council</b> - 22 June 1976, minutes and related papers, chaired by Secretary of State Merlyn Rees regarding economic situation in Northern Ireland.
<b>CENT/1/5/42-44</b>	1976	<b>Northern Ireland Economic Council Executive committee</b> - 10 March, 27 April and 1 June, minutes and related papers.
<b>CENT/1/4/16</b>	Feb. 1975 – July 1976	<b>Army – Civil Government Co-operation: Arrangements for briefing army units arriving in Northern Ireland (Belfast area)</b> - comprising minutes of meetings, correspondence, etc.

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- CENT/1/4/1** 1975-1976 **Meetings between the NICS Permanent Secretaries and the Parliamentary Under Secretary** - comprises minutes of meetings discussing the security situation and political/constitutional position, includes references to the future of The Women's Peace Movement, the economic problems, new Secretary of State, Roy Mason, etc.
- CENT/1/5/17** 1976 **Working Party on Improving Civil Government in areas under Paramilitary Influence** - comprising working papers and report on how to improve the situation in West Belfast, Londonderry and South Armagh.
- CENT/1/4/36** 1975-1976 **Cross Border EEC studies (Londonderry/Donegal)** - comprising discussions and eventual agreement between NIO and Dublin on a cross border study, includes notes of discussions between Secretary of State, Merlyn Rees, Dr Garret Fitzgerald, Irish Foreign Secretary, minutes of meetings of officials, etc.
- CENT/1/4/33** 1975-1976 **Meetings with Political Parties** - mainly comprising notes of meetings of the Secretary of State with Northern Ireland Political parties including SDLP, Alliance, UPNI, UUUC, VUP, and the NILP. The personalities include John Hume, Gerry Fitt, Bill Craig, Harry West, and Ian Paisley, and subjects include political progress, Constitutional Convention, Security, etc.
- CENT/1/5/52-53** 1976 **Cross Border EEC Study (Londonderry/Donegal)** – mainly comprising ongoing discussions about the launch of the cross border study.
- CENT/1/8/16** 1976 **Effects of violence on the structure and fabric of Northern Ireland 1969-1976** - comprises papers from the Northern Ireland Departments and NIO on the impact of the troubles across Northern Ireland, for the Secretary of State, Roy Mason. It includes effects on industry, commerce, towns, farming, health services, education, housing, transport, etc.

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**CENT/1/3/40** 1973-1976 **Minutes of meetings between Secretary of State, Ministers and deputations and political parties** – the file ranges from meetings between Secretary of State and local politicians such as Brian Faulkner and Gerry Fitt, prior to the establishment of the 1974 power-sharing executive to meetings between Political Party Representatives and the new Secretary of State, Roy Mason, discussing potential political progress, inter-party talks and security.

### Department of Commerce

**COM/58/1/305** May 1974 – Oct. 1976 **Requisition of Petrol Distribution** - includes a lessons learnt report on the May 1974 UWC strike by the Department of Commerce, focusing on the electricity and oil emergency.

**COM/63/1/619** 1973–1976 **Grundig Radio Recorders Ltd, Newry. New Tape Recorder Plant** - includes discussion of the problems with Grundig and the factory at Dunmurry and a proposed factory at Newry, minutes of a meeting between John Hume and representatives of Grundig in February 1974 and references to the Niedermayer abduction and its impact on the company.

**COM/63/1/633** 1975-1976 **Ben Sherman (1975) Ltd, Londonderry** – contains papers documenting attempts to rescue the company, including personal involvement of Merlyn Rees, Secretary of State.

**COM/63/1/655** 1972-1976 **Industrial Promotional Literature** – file comprises a narrative by Polly Devlin, commissioned by the Northern Ireland Government to reflect a positive view of life in Northern Ireland and to appeal to potential investors.

**COM/63/1/657** 1974-1976 **Departmental/West Belfast Industry Group** - file includes minutes of meetings between Stan Orme, NIO Ministers, officials and representatives from West Belfast to discuss the problems faced by the area and the potential development opportunities.

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**COM/64/2/16** 1975-1976 **Assistance from EEC Funds towards Cross Border Studies (Londonderry/Donegal area)** – contains papers from British and Irish governments re proposed study and eventual agreement to proceed, etc.

### Northern Ireland Office

**NIO/8/2/6** 1974-1976 **Firearms Control of Firearms** – policy file discusses the issue of legally controlled firearms in Northern Ireland, and the role of Chief Constable and Secretary of State.

**NIO/9/2/4/4** 1975-1975 **Orders: Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1973 (Amendment) Order 1974** – relates to the proscription of the Ulster Volunteer Force and includes a note of the meeting at which Secretary of State, Merlyn Rees, decided to proceed with proscription of the UVF.

**NIO/10/2/1** 1974-1975 **Prisons Co-ordinating Committee: minutes and related papers** – file comprises regular reports on the local prisons, including the destruction of the Maze by prisoners and subsequent redevelopment scheme, etc.

**NIO/10/2/3** 1976-1976 **Prisons Management Committee** - comprising minutes of meetings reporting on the various Northern Ireland Prisons, security levels, escape attempts, administration, staffing, etc.

**NIO/10/11/4** 1974-1975 **Demands from inmates** – the file reflects conditions in the Maze Prison and the issues surrounding paramilitary factions in the prison.

**NIO/12/48** 1974-1975 **Prison Re-settlement Association Co-ordinating Committee of Voluntary Corps: Minutes of meetings and matters arising** – minutes of meetings between NIO, Re-settlement

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Association and representatives of UDA, UVF and Republican Clubs and Republican Prisoners' Aid Society regarding the distribution of grant-aid to the various groups for prisoner welfare, and discussion of other mutual issues of concern, also meetings with DUP and SDLP delegations about prison conditions, etc.

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| <b>NIO/25/2/6</b>  | 1973-1975 | <b>Police Authority: reconstruction of</b> - comprising correspondence, minutes, etc., relating to the future of the authority, its re-constitution, impact of the 1974 power-sharing administration, etc.   |
| <b>NIO/25/2/10</b> | 1974-1976 | <b>Police Authority – Meetings with Secretary of State and NIO officials</b> – the file documents the concerns of the Police Authority and contains minutes of meetings between Secretary of State and PANI, concerning the role of PANI and the problems which they faced.  |
| <b>NIO/25/1/6</b>  | 1974-1976 | <b>Police Meetings: minutes of meetings – police matters</b> - mainly comprises minutes of meetings between the Secretary of State, Minister of State and Chief Constable of the RUC, discussing policing and with the Police Federation, Police Authority, Political Parties, and individual politicians, re policing matters and the general security situation. [Minute of 24 August 1976 includes references to Women's Peace Movement]. |
| <b>NIO/27/1/2</b>  | 1975-1976 | <b>Civil Authorities (SP) Acts (NI) 1922-43 – Rehabilitation 1975- 1976</b> – includes minutes of meetings between the NIO and representatives of Republican prisoners groups, UDA and UVF about prisoner welfare schemes and how to assist with the re-settlement of ex-detainees, etc.   |

### Department of Education

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| <b>ED/32/B/1/11/1</b> | 1974-1976 | <b>Departmental Policy Steering Group - minutes and correspondence of</b> - includes a note for the record on 'shared schools' giving details of a meeting with leading representatives of the |
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All Children Together movement and a meeting with Cardinal Conway, at which he expressed his opposition to integrated education.

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| <b>ED/32/B/1/3/5</b>  | 1973-1976 | <b>Comprehensive education</b> - includes papers relating to the proposed reorganisation of secondary education in Northern Ireland with the introduction of a comprehensive system.  |
| <b>ED/32/B/1/12/1</b> | 1974-1976 | <b>Shared schools; inquiry into integrated education</b> -contains papers detailing the attitudes of various bodies, e.g. Roman Catholic Church, Trade Unions, etc., to the notion of integrated education and the results of a government consultation on the issue. |

### Department of Manpower Services

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| <b>DMS/2/40,<br/>151-152</b> | 1976-1976 | <b>Fair Employment</b> - files relating to the Fair Employment Bill, meetings with church representatives, development of the legislation, etc.   |
| <b>DMS/3/17</b>              | 1966-1976 | <b>Rolls Royce Ltd</b> – deals with company decision to close factory at Dundonald and reveals government efforts to delay this because of social and political impact in Northern Ireland. |

### Department of Environment

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| <b>ENV/8/1/8</b>  | 1974-1976 | <b>Belfast Housing Strategy</b> – covers power-sharing executive through to 1976 and focuses on the housing problems in the city, particularly West Belfast.                         |
| <b>ENV/8/1/9</b>  | 1972-1976 | <b>Housing Research Policy</b> - includes a report entitled 'Children in Conflict', a study carried out by the British Army in 1974 into the problems of hooliganism in Londonderry. |
| <b>ENV/8/1/14</b> | 1976      | <b>Belfast Housing Review</b> – Minutes of The Working Party and reports on the proposed housing programmes for Belfast, setting out guidelines for future development.              |

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### Department of Community Relations

**DCR/1/182**      1974-1976      **Civil Representatives reports and miscellaneous correspondence** – includes reports by the reps during the UWC strike and a memo on the Peace Movement giving details of the informal support being provided by Community Relations staff and the channelling of information about the progress of the Peace Movement to the NIO.

### Information Service

**INF/2/17**      1974-1976      **Central Policy Review Group – Minutes of Meetings** - comprising details of developments on the political and security fronts within Northern Ireland.

### Department of Health and Social Services

**HSS/32/1/10/1**      1974-1976      **Prison Medical Service – General** - contains reports on the riots at the Maze Prison in 1974 and reflects the difficulties faced by the medical service.

**HSS/32/1/11/2**      1974-1976      **Casualty Centre/Second Line Hospital at HMP Maze** – contains reports on the need for a second medical establishment at the Maze as a consequence of the 1974 riots.

POLICY CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE: MINUTES

PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
1	7 Jan. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Problems of Young People: Progress Report by the Co-ordinating Committee on Social Problems	PCC1/76
2	14 Jan. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Proposals for Return of Services to Local Government	PCC2/76
3	28 Jan. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. TORTS (Interference with Goods) Bill 2. Draft Sex Discrimination Order 3. Proposal to Collect Fuel Debts by the Allocation of Social Security Benefits	PCC3/76
4	11 Feb. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Limitations of Actions Order Draft Social Security and Family Allowance Order 2. Health and Social Services Boards- Education and Library Boards 3. Health & Safety at Work in Northern Ireland 4. Circulation of PCC Papers	PCC4/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
5	18 Feb. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Administration Trainees – Recruitment and Career Progression	PCC5/76
6	25 Feb. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Monthly Meetings with the Parliamentary Under Secretary on Security 2. The Northern Ireland Economy	PCC6/76
7	10 Mar. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Draft Road Traffic (Drivers' Ages and Hours of Work) (NI) Order 1976 2. Presentation on the Ending of Special Category Status for Prisoners 3. The Northern Ireland Economy – Some Assumptions and Problems 4. Electricity Prices	PCC7/76
8	24 Mar. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Northern Ireland and the Westminster Public Accounts Committee 2. Health & Safety at Work in Northern Ireland	PCC8/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
9	31 Mar. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Losses on Government Contracts due to Civil Unrest 2. Forward Planning and Public Expenditure 3. Cash Limits	PCC9/76
10	14 Apr. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Draft Preferential Payments in Insolvency (NI) Order 1976 2. 1976 Public Expenditure Survey 3. Order-in-Council Amending the Planning (NI) Order 1972 4. Proposal for a Draft Industrial Relations (NI) (No. 2) Order 1976	PCC10/76
11	28 Apr. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Draft Housing (NI) Order 1976 2. 1976 Public Expenditure Survey	PCC11/76
12	12 May 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Facilities for the Sale and Supply of Intoxicating Liquor in Community and Sporting Premises 2. Proposed Employment and Training (NI) Order	PCC11/76

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13	19 May 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Progress Report on the 1976 Public Expenditure Survey 2. Centralisation of Legal Services in Northern Ireland 3. Structure of the Northern Ireland Economic Council	PCC13/76
14	26 May 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Progress Report on Public Expenditure Survey 2. Central Appointments Unit Revision of Scheduled Appointments	PCC14/76
15	9 June 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Memorandum on Measures to Control Abuses of the Lump in Northern Ireland	PCC15/76
16	30 June 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Supplementary Benefit Order Amendment of Licensing Act 2. Draft Industrial Relations Order 3. Draft Transport Order 4. Proposed Family Law Reform 5. Co-ordination	PCC16/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
17	21 July 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Second Progress Report from the Co-ordinating Committee on Social Problems 2. Review of Housing Finance 3. Economic and Industrial Strategy Review Report	PCC17/76
18	28 July 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Economic and Industrial Strategy Review Report 2. Draft Consumer Protection (Amendment) (NI Order) 3. Proposal for a Draft Electricity and Gas Undertaking (Financial Provisions)	PCC18/76
19	2 Aug. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Public Expenditure Cuts 2. Parking Concessions for Disabled Drivers	PCC19/76
20	18 Aug. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Proposal for a Draft Rates (Northern Ireland) Order 2. Proposed Draft Fatal Accidents Order 3. Manpower Cuts and Northern Ireland Civil Service 4. Public Expenditure	PCC20/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
21	1 Sep. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Community Ownership of Land 2. Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Insurance	PCC21/76
22	15 Sep. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Ex-Gratia Payments on Contracts 2. Public Debt Report by a Working Party on Judgements Enforcement and Debt Recovery 3. Continuation of Urban Rural Improvement Campaign until March 1978	PCC22/76
23	22 Sep. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Review of Criminal Injuries to Persons (Compensation) Act (NI) 1968	PCC23/76
24	6 Oct. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Financial Information Systems (FIS) 2. Consolidation of Ministries of Northern Ireland Act 3. Belfast City Council – Grant Aid for Staff Salaries in Lieu of Professional Fees on Recreation/Community Projects	PCC24/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
25	13 Oct. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. The Layfield Report and Local Government Finance 2. Recovery of Road Accident Costs	PCC25/76
26	20 Oct. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. The Reorganisation of the Courts 2. Proposed Draft Property Order in Council	PCC26/76
27	27 Oct. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Proposed Development of Tourist Traffic Order 2. Northern Ireland Electricity Industry	PCC27/76
28	3 Nov. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Consultation and Co-ordination: Development Officer Services Etc. 2. Regional Physical Development Strategy	PCC28/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
29	10 Nov. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Amendment of the Northern Ireland Law Relating to Betting, Gaming and Lotteries 2. Proposed Draft Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependants) Order 3. Civil Service Manpower 4. Proposed Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1976	PCC29/76
30	17 Nov. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Proposal to Amend the education and Libraries (NI) Order 1972 2. Discussion Paper by Northern Ireland Office on the future of the Penal System 3. Proposal for a Draft housing finance Order	PCC30/76
31	24 Nov. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Belfast Community Law Centre Legal Advice and Assistance 2. Use of Armorial Bearings by Government Departments 3. Chairman's Note	PCC31/76
32	1 Dec. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Housing Expenditure. New Priorities 2. Civil Service Manpower 3. Retirement Policy 4. Public Expenditure	PCC32/76

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PCC/1/5/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO.
33	8 Dec. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Follow up to Presentation on Public Expenditure 2. Striking of Regional Rate for 1977/1978 3. Proposed Increase in Water Charges 4. Provision and Management of Open Space	PCC33/76
34	15 Dec. 1976	Minutes of Policy Co-ordinating Committee held at Parliament Buildings, Stormont.  Topics discussed: 1. Progress Report on Government Insurance 2. Discussion Paper on Northern Ireland Consumer Council 3. Northern Ireland Public Expenditure Survey Committee (NIPESC)	PCC34/76

SECRETARY OF STATE'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FILES, 1976

SOSEC/3/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
1	26 Jan. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Presentation on Health and Personal Social services 2. Presentation on Education and Library Boards 3. Out-of-Court SOSEC Settlements	1/76
2	2 Feb. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Problems of Young People	2/76
3	Feb. 1976- Mar. 1976	Record of Secretary of States' Approval taken outside of SOSEC.  1. Proposal for a Financial Provisions Order 2. Social Security and Family Allowances Draft Order 3. Proposal for a Draft Sex Discrimination Order 4. Department of Housing, LG and Planning (Dissolution) Draft Order	3/76
4	15 Mar. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. The Private Rented Housing Sector 2. Out-of-Court SOSEC Settlements	4/76

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SOSEC/3/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
5	Mar. 1976	Record of Secretary of States' Approval taken outside of SOSEC.  1. Draft Industrial Relations (NI) Order	5/76
6	26 Apr. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Water Supplies 2. Proposed Amendment of the Building Regulations (NI) Order 1972 3. Proposed Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1976 4. Proposed Health and Safety at Work Order 5. Proposed Planning Order 6. Proposed Industrial Relations (NI) (No. 2) Order 1976 7. Proposed Amendment of Consumer Protection Act (NI) 1965	6/76
7	3 May 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Public Expenditure survey 1976	7/76
8	May 1976	Record of Secretary of States' Approval taken outside of SOSEC.  1. Draft Housing Order 2. Draft Preferential Payments in Insolvency (NI) Order 1976	8/76

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SOSEC/3/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
9	28 June 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Presentation on NI Public Expenditure	9/76
10	26 July 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Measures to Control Labour Only Sub-Contracting (The Lump) in NI	10/76
11	Aug. 1976- Oct. 1976	Record of Secretary of States' Approval taken outside of SOSEC.  1. Draft Supplementary Benefits (Amendment) (NI) Order 1976 2. Draft Transport Order	11/76
12	15 Nov. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Proposal to Collect Fuel Debts by the Allocation of Social Security Benefits and Other Payments from Public Monies	12/76
13	29 Nov. 1976	Minutes of the Secretary of State's Executive Committee held at Stormont Castle.  Topics discussed: 1. Housing Presentation	13/76

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SOSEC/3/	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FILE NO. 'EXMIN'
14	Nov. 1976- Dec. 1976	Record of Secretary of States' Approval taken outside of SOSEC.	14/76
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Proposed Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Order 1976</li> <li>2. Proposal for a Draft Housing Finance Order</li> <li>3. Draft Appropriation (No. 3) (NI) Order 1976</li> <li>4. Proposed Amendment of the Road Traffic Act (NI) 1970 (Concessions to Disabled Drivers)</li> <li>5. Proposal to Amend the Ulster College Act (NI) 1968; Proposal to Amend the Education and Libraries (NI) Order 1972</li> <li>6. proposed Development of Tourist Traffic Order</li> <li>7. Proposed Draft Property Order in Council</li> </ol>	