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NORTHERN IRELAND

SOCIAL SECURITY

**The Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance (Transfer of Staff)
(Northern Ireland) Order 2003**

Made - - - - - *27th February 2003*

Laid before Parliament *11th March 2003*

Coming into force - - - *1st April 2003*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 27th day of February 2003,

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 52(7) of the Tax Credits Act 2002(a) is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Child Benefit and Guardian's Allowance (Transfer of Staff) (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 1st April 2003.

Interpretation

2. In this Order “the Department” means the Department for Social Development in Northern Ireland and “the Child Benefit Office” means the Child Benefit Office of the executive Agency known as the Social Security Agency, within the Department.

Transfer of staff

3.—(1) With effect from 1st April 2003 there shall be transferred to Her Majesty's Home Civil Service the persons specified in paragraph (2).

(2) The persons specified are those persons employed wholly in the Child Benefit Office, not above the grade of deputy principal.

Here “persons employed wholly in the Child Benefit Office”—

(a) 2002 c. 21.

- (a) includes persons so employed who are on leave or secondment on 31st March; but
- (b) excludes those persons who are listed on a Northern Ireland Civil Service promotion list but have not been promoted by that date.

(3) Where a person is transferred to Her Majesty's Home Civil Service under this Article, his period of employment in the Northern Ireland Civil Service shall count as a period of continuous employment in Her Majesty's Home Civil Service for the purposes of the Employment Rights (Northern Ireland) Order 1996(a).

A K Galloway
Clerk of the Privy Council

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order transfers from the Department for Social Development in Northern Ireland ("the Department") to the Inland Revenue the staff of the Child Benefit Office of the Social Security Agency, an executive Agency of the Department. This is in consequence of the transfer under Part 2 of the Tax Credits Act 2002 (c. 21) of functions relating to child benefit and guardian's allowance on 1st April 2003.

(a) S.I. 1996/1919 (N.I. 16). The relevant amending instrument is S.I. 2002 No. 2836 (N.I. 2).

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