

## **EU Law & Devolution – the Relationship between the Devolved Jurisdictions and the EU.**

### **References in respect of Northern Ireland:**

- Belfast (Good Friday) Agreement
- St Andrews Agreement
- Hillsborough Agreement
- N.I. Act 1998 (as amended) (esp. sections 6 & 24)
- N.I. (St Andrews Agreement) Act 2006.
- Most recently: S.I. Northern Ireland Act (Devolution of Policing and Justice Functions) Order 2010 (No. 976). (169 Pages).
- Memorandum of Understanding and Supplementary Agreements.  
(MOU): - On the Principles which underline relations between the UK Government and the Devolved Administrations. (See [www.justice.gov.uk](http://www.justice.gov.uk)).
- Various concordats on how to deal with issues on a day to day basis with other UK jurisdictions: (Environmental, education, procurement issues etc). (See [www.northernireland.gov.uk](http://www.northernireland.gov.uk)).

### **North South & East West**

North-South Ministerial Council: [www.northernireland.gov.uk](http://www.northernireland.gov.uk)

North South Implementation bodies, including on Trade & Business. Areas for co-operation include agriculture, the environment, transport, education, health & tourism.

British-Irish Council – [www.british-irishcouncil.org](http://www.british-irishcouncil.org)

### Procurement

“Public Procurement in Northern Ireland 2009/10.”

(NI Assembly Website).

Christopher McCrudden “Buying Social Justice” O.U.P.

Guidance on Equality of Opportunity & Sustainable Development in Northern Ireland.

Central Procurement Directorate: (Department of Finance & Personnel website).

### Agriculture

“Newcastle Disease cases”.

3 ECJ infringement proceedings Judgements in respect of 2 Member States. In respect of UK covering N. Ireland, and separately GB.

Judgement in case 40/82 on 15<sup>th</sup> July 1982, 1982 ECR 2793; and on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1984, 1984 ECR 283.

In respect of Ireland Case 74/82 also on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1984. ECJ 317.

### Taxation

Taxation Powers. Schedule 2, Paragraph 9 of the Northern Ireland Act.

The NI Assembly may legislate for taxes or duties not of “substantially of the same character” as “taxes or duties under any law applying to the UK as a whole”.

Sir David Varney Review on Taxation Policy in Northern Ireland.

Northern Ireland Economic Reform Group. [www.ergni.org/reports](http://www.ergni.org/reports).

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