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REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE

The European Assembly Elections (Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1984

Made - - - 12*th April* 1984

Coming into operation in accordance with article 1(2)

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by section 9(2) of, and paragraph 4(2) of Schedule 1 to, the European Assembly Elections Act 1978(**a**), and of all other powers enabling me in that behalf, I hereby make the following order:—

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the European Assembly Elections (Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1984.

(2) This order shall come into operation at the first general election of representatives to the Assembly of the European Communities held after this order is made, except that for the purpose of all proceedings preliminary or relating to that election this order shall come into operation forthwith.

(3) In this order —

(*a*) references to parliamentary constituencies are references to the parliamentary constituencies in Scotland established by the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) Order 1983(**b**); and

(*b*) references to European Assembly constituencies are references to the European Assembly constituencies established by the European Assembly Constituencies (Scotland) Order 1984(**c**).

2. The returning officer for an European Assembly election in an European Assembly constituency specified in column 1 of the Schedule to this order, being a constituency which is situated in more than one region or islands area, shall be the person who, under section 41 of the Representation of the People Act 1983(**d**), is, or may discharge the functions of, the returning officer at elections of councillors for the council of the region specified opposite thereto in column 2 of the said Schedule.

3. The European Assembly Elections (Returning Officers) (Scotland) Order 1979(**e**) is hereby revoked.

George Younger,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

New St Andrew's House,
Edinburgh.
12th April 1984.

(**a**) 1978 c.10.
(**b**) S.I. 1983/422.
(**c**) S.I. 1984/548.
(**d**) 1983 c.2.
(**e**) S.I. 1979/349.

SCHEDULE

Article 2

RETURNING OFFICERS FOR THOSE EUROPEAN ASSEMBLY CONSTITUENCIES SITUATED IN MORE THAN ONE REGION OR ISLANDS AREA

1 *Name of European Assembly constituency*	2 *Name of region*
Highlands and Islands	Highland Region
North East Scotland	Grampian Region
Mid Scotland and Fife	Fife Region
South of Scotland	Dumfries and Galloway Region

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This order directs who shall be the returning officer for an European Assembly election in the case of those European Assembly constituencies in Scotland which are situated in more than one region or islands area. The European Assembly constituencies for which the returning officers will act are those established by the European Assembly Constituencies (Scotland) Order 1984. This order does not come into full operation until the first general election of representatives to the European Assembly after this order is made (article 1(2)). At that time the European Assembly constituencies established by the order referred to above also come into full operation, and the order by which returning officers are at present designated for the European Assembly constituencies concerned is revoked (article 3).

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