

# THE NEW NORTHERN IRELAND ASSEMBLY

## LIST OF MOTIONS TABLED

**1998/1999**

*The Minutes of Proceedings (MoPs) for each Assembly sitting are normally accompanied by a 'No Day Named' list of motions that have been tabled by the date of the sitting, but which have not yet been selected for debate.*

*For the purposes of this Journal, the Speaker has agreed that the individual lists should not be reproduced, but that a consolidated list of all motions tabled should be produced and included at the end of each session's Minutes of Proceedings. This list is provided below.*

*If a motion was selected for debate, the Order Paper number and date of sitting are shown. Where a motion was not selected, it stood on the No Day Named list of motions until the end of the session, unless the motion was withdrawn by the Member concerned.*

### BUSINESS AND COMMITTEE MOTIONS

#### Committee on Standing Orders

That in accordance with para 15 of Initial Standing Orders, the Assembly shall establish a Committee whose terms of reference, quorum and composition are set out below:

Terms of Reference:

To assist the Assembly in its consideration of Standing Orders and report to the Assembly by 14 September 1998.

Composition:	UUP	4
	SDLP	4
	DUP	3
	SF	3
	All	1
	UKU	1
	PUP	1
	NIWC	1

Quorum: 8

[The Initial Presiding Officer]  
[OP 01/98 – 1 July 1998]

### Appointment of First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate)

That the Rt Hon David Trimble MP be First Minister (Designate) and Mr Séamus Mallon MP be Deputy First Minister (Designate).

[Rt Hon John Taylor MP]

[Mr John Hume MP MEP]

[OP 01/98 – 1 July 1998]

### Matters Referred to the Assembly

That the Assembly invites the First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate) to consider, and after consultation, make proposals regarding the matters referred to the Assembly under Section 1(2) of the Northern Ireland (Elections) Act 1998 and any other matter connected with the future business of the Assembly and report to the Assembly by 14 September 1998.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]

[OP 01/98 – 1 July 1998]

### Establishment of Committee in Accordance with Initial Standing Orders

That a Committee be established in accordance with paragraph 16 of the Initial Standing Orders.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]

[OP 01/98 – 1 July 1998]

### “Shadow” Commission

That this Assembly should proceed to establish a “Shadow” Commission to assist during the transitional period in making preparations for the effective functioning of the Assembly – the membership and functions of the “Shadow” Commission being the same as those set out for the Commission in the Northern Ireland Bill.

#### Terms of Reference:

The “Shadow” Commission will consider matters relevant to providing the Assembly with the property, staff and services required for the Assembly’s purposes.

#### Composition:

The Initial Presiding Officer

Reverend Robert Coulter

Mr John Fee

Mr Peter Robinson MP

Mr Francie Molloy

Mrs Eileen Bell

#### Quorum:

The “Shadow” Commission will decide its quorum at the first meeting.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]

[OP 02/98 – 14 September 1998]

Ad hoc Committee to consider the procedural consequences of devolution

That, under the terms of Initial Standing Order 15, this Assembly appoints an ad hoc Committee to consider the procedural consequences of devolution as they are likely to affect the relationship between, and workings of the Northern Ireland Assembly and the United Kingdom Parliament and, by Tuesday 6 October 1998, to submit a report to the Assembly which, if approved, will be forwarded to the Procedure Committee of the House of Commons.

Composition:	UUP	4
	SDLP	4
	DUP	3
	SF	3
	Alliance	1
	UKUP	1
	PUP	1
	NIWC	1

Quorum: 8

[The Initial Presiding Officer]  
[OP 02/98 – 14 September 1998]

Report by First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate)

That this Assembly takes note of the Report prepared by the First Minister (Designate) and the Deputy First Minister (Designate) and grants leave for the preparation and presentation of such further reports by the two Ministers as are considered necessary.

[Rt Hon David Trimble MP]  
[Mr Séamus Mallon MP]  
[OP 02/98 – 14 September 1998]

Committee on Standing Orders – Interim Report

That the Assembly takes note of the Interim Report prepared by the Committee on Standing Orders and grants leave for the preparation and presentation of a full report by 26 October 1998.

[Mr D Haughey]  
[OP 02/98 – 14 September 1998]

Committee on the Procedural Consequences of Devolution –  
Interim Report

That the Assembly takes note of the interim report prepared by the Committee on the Procedural Consequences of Devolution.

[Mr A McFarland]  
[OP 03/98 – 5 October 1998]

Amendment to composition of Committee on Standing Orders and  
the Ad hoc Committee on the Procedural Consequences of Devolution

That the composition of the Committee on Standing Orders and the Ad Hoc Committee on the Procedural Consequences of Devolution be amended to comply with the revised Initial Standing Orders issued by the Secretary of State by adding to each of their numbers one Member of the United Unionist Assembly Party.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]  
[OP 03/98 – 5 October 1998]

Report – ‘Putting it Right –  
The Case for Change in Northern Ireland’s Hospital Service’

That this Assembly takes note of the report, “Putting it Right – The Case for Change in Northern Ireland’s Hospital Service”, as presented by Mr John McFall MP, Minister for Health and Social Services.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]  
[OP 06/98 – 14&15 December 1998]

Report by First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate)

This Assembly approves the report prepared by the First Minister (Designate) and the Deputy First Minister (Designate).

[Rt Hon David Trimble MP]  
[Mr Séamus Mallon MP]  
[OP 07/98 – 18&19 January 1999]

Report by First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate) –  
Civic Forum

This Assembly takes note of the report prepared by the First Minister (Designate) and the Deputy First Minister (Designate), and approves the proposals in relation to establishing the consultative Civic Forum (as recorded in Section 5 of that report).

[Rt Hon David Trimble MP]  
[Mr Séamus Mallon MP]  
[OP 09/98 – 15&16 February 1999]

## Ministerial Offices

This Assembly approves the determination by the First Minister (Designate) and the Deputy First Minister (Designate) of the number of Ministerial offices to be held by Northern Ireland Ministers and the functions which would be exercisable by the holder of each office after the appointed day (as recorded in Annex 2 of their Report to the Assembly).

[Rt Hon David Trimble MP]  
[Mr Séamus Mallon MP]  
[OP 09/98 – 15&16 February 1999]

## All Party Groups

That Officers in All Party Assembly Groups and All Party Groups whose membership is open to Members of more than one party be required to register the names of the Officers of the Group, and the source and extent of any benefits, financial or in kind, from outside sources which they may enjoy, together with any other relevant gainful occupation of any staff which they may have; and that where a public relations agency provides the assistance the ultimate client should be named.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]  
[OP 10/98 – 22 February 1999]

## Guide to the Rules relating to the Conduct of Members

This Assembly agrees the resolution set out in Annex A to Paper No: NIA 1 "The Code of Conduct", together with the Guide to the Rules relating to the Conduct of Members.

[Mr Denis Haughey]  
[Mr Fred Cobain]  
[OP 11/98 – 1 March 1999]

## Report by Committee on Standing Orders

This Assembly takes note of the Report by the Committee on Standing Orders.

[Mr Fred Cobain]  
[Mr Denis Haughey]  
[OP 12/98 – 8&9 March 1999]

## Establishment of Shadow Statutory Committees

That:

- ten Shadow Statutory Committees be established to advise and assist each Northern Ireland Minister (Designate) in the formulation of policy with respect to matters within his/her responsibilities and to undertake a scrutiny,

policy development and consultation role with respect to each of the Ministers (Designate) which it will advise and assist;

- a Shadow Statutory Committee will be established to advise and assist each of the following:

The Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development

The Minister of Culture, Arts and Leisure

The Minister of Education

The Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment

The Minister of the Environment

The Minister of Finance and Personnel

The Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety

The Minister of Higher and Further Education, Training and Employment

The Minister for Regional Development

The Minister for Social Development

- each Shadow Statutory Committee shall consist of 11 members.

[Mr F Cobain]

[Mr D Haughey]

[OP 14/98 – 29&30 November 1999]

#### Report by the Ad hoc Committee (Port of Belfast)

That this Assembly agrees the publication of the Report issued by the Ad Hoc Committee (Port of Belfast) (NNIA 12).

[Mr A Maginness]

[Mr S Wilson]

[OP 14/98 – 29&30 November 1999]

#### Ad hoc Committee (Port of Belfast)

This Assembly, recognising the central importance of the Port of Belfast, resolves to:

- (a) set up an Ad Hoc Committee to consider the serious implications of the proposals submitted by the Belfast Harbour Commissioners to Her Majesty's Government and;
- (b) hold public hearings before reporting to the Assembly.

[Mr Peter Robinson MP]

### **Approval of Draft Standing Orders**

*Draft Standing Orders were proposed to be the Standing Orders of the Assembly. The following were tabled as amendments to the Draft Standing Orders and were debated on 8 & 9 March 1999.*

In Standing Order 3(5) after "Chamber" insert "during sitting days".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 3, paragraph (7), line 2, leave out from "being" and add "nationalist, unionist or other".

[Mr S Neeson]

In Standing Order 3, paragraph (7), line 3, leave out " "Other" " and insert "other".

[Mr S Neeson]

In Standing Order 3, paragraph (8), after "notification", insert "in writing is submitted".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 3, after paragraph (9), insert the following new paragraph:-

"A Member may change his or her party affiliation at any time. Any such change takes effect 7 days after notification in writing is submitted to the Speaker."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 4 after paragraph (6) insert the following new paragraph:-

"Where the Assembly is unable to elect a Speaker under the foregoing provisions of this Standing Order, but where a Deputy Speaker has been elected by virtue of Standing Order 5, the Deputy Speaker shall act as Speaker. In the case of more than one Deputy Speaker being elected they shall act in turn until a Speaker is elected."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 4 after paragraph 4(6) insert the following new paragraph:-

"Where the Assembly is unable to elect either a Speaker, under the foregoing provisions of this Standing Order, or a Deputy Speaker, by virtue of Standing Order 5, the Chair shall be taken, until a Speaker or Deputy Speaker is elected, by an Acting Speaker, who shall be the eldest Member of the Assembly."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In paragraph (2) of Standing Order 9, at end add

"The business adjourned shall be the first business when the Assembly next sits."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In paragraph (1) of Standing Order 12, after "Bills", insert ", Statutory Committee Reports".

[Mr P Robinson]

In paragraph (4) of Standing Order 15, leave out "during debate" and insert "before a division is called".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 16, after paragraph (1), insert the following new paragraph:

"Where a motion is made for the adjournment of a debate the motion shall specify the length of adjournment and in any case it shall not be for a period greater than 7 days. The Speaker shall not permit more than one adjournment on the same debate except by leave of the Assembly."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 16, paragraph (2), leave out "propose" and insert "put".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 18, paragraph (4), at end, add

"The Speaker shall determine the time period taking into consideration the content of the statement, the number of Members wishing to ask questions and the pressure of other business".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 18, paragraph (4), leave out "be limited to" and insert "last no more than".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 18, paragraph (5), leave out all the words after "Debate" and add

"unless, by leave, the Assembly determines to dispense with this requirement."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 19, after paragraph (12), add the following new paragraph:

"The sequence that questions are taken shall be determined by ballot carried out by the Speaker."

[Mr P Robinson MP]



In Standing Order 21, paragraph (1), leave out "proposed" and insert "put".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 21, after paragraph (2), add the following new paragraph:

"Where the subject matter of an adjournment debate is the responsibility of a member of the Executive Committee 10 minutes shall be allotted for a Ministerial response at the end of the debate."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 22, after paragraph (2), add the following new paragraph:

"A petition shall relate to matters that are within the legal competence of the Assembly as defined by exception in section 6 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 26, leave out "either" - (a)" and sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph (2).

Leave out all the words after "may" and add "call for the nomination of tellers and divide the Assembly in the manner provided below."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

After Standing Order 26 insert the following new Standing Order:

"In relation to a vote on any matter 'cross-community support' means (a) the support of a majority of the Members voting, a majority of the designated Nationalists voting and a majority of the designated Unionists voting; or (b) the support of 60 per cent of the Members voting, 40 per cent of the designated Nationalists voting and 40 per cent of the designated Unionists voting."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

After Standing Order 26, insert the following new Standing Order:

- (1) A Petition of Concern in respect of any matter shall be in the form of a notice signed by at least 30 Members presented to the Speaker. No vote may be held on a matter which is the subject of a Petition of Concern until at least one day after the Petition of Concern has been presented.
- (2) Other than in exceptional circumstances, a Petition of Concern shall be submitted at least one hour before the vote is due to occur. Where no notice of the vote was signalled or such other conditions apply that delay the presentation of a Petition of Concern the Speaker shall determine whether the Petition is time-barred or not."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 30, paragraph (3), leave out "to be made to the Bill" and insert ", to the Bill, that may be proposed".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 30, paragraph (5), line 3, leave out "in" and insert "on".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 32, paragraph (1), leave out "human rights" and insert "equality requirements".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 34, leave out "bill" and insert "Bill".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 35, paragraph (1), leave out "in" and insert "on".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 37, paragraph (c), after "the" insert "main".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 38, paragraph 2(a), after "the" insert "reason or".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 38, paragraph (2), after "he" insert "/she".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 39, paragraph (3), after "require" insert "the Minister responsible for".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 40, paragraph (1), leave out the word "follows" and insert the words "set out in Standing Order 40(2), (2a) and (3)".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 40, paragraph (1), after "Act" insert "1998".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

Leave out Standing Order 40(2)(e).

In Standing Order 40, after paragraph (2)(e), insert the following new paragraph:

"(f) the nominating officer of a party who did not exercise the power conferred by section 18(2) notifies the First Minister, the Deputy First Minister and the Speaker of his/her intention to do so."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 40, after paragraph (2), insert the following new sub-paragraph:

"Where the office becomes vacant as mentioned in section 18(10) the nominating officer of the party on whose behalf the previous incumbent was nominated shall nominate a person to hold the office within a period of seven days."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 40, paragraph (3)(b), after "gives" insert "a reason or".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 41, leave out "(1)".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 41, on line 3, leave out "Minister" and insert "Ministers".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 44, in the Title, after "STATUTORY", insert "AND SPECIAL SCRUTINY".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 44, paragraph (2), leave out "given" and insert "offered".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 44, paragraph (2), after "members" insert the words "other than himself/herself".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 44, paragraph (5), add "or the Minister is responsible for a Department in which a Junior Minister is placed who is a member of his/her party."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 45, paragraph (5), leave out "Allocation" and insert "allocation".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 46, paragraph (2), at end add

"and may invite the other Committee to carry out the consideration of any stated issue and provide it with a draft report."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 49, after the first "shall" leave out

", other than by leave of the Committee that he shall not do so,"

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 50, at end add

"Such Committees shall, in as far as is practicable, reflect the party strengths in the Assembly."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 51, leave out paragraph (3).

In Standing Order 52, leave out paragraph (5).

In Standing Order 53, leave out paragraph (6).

In Standing Order 54, leave out paragraph (4).

In Standing Order 55, leave out paragraph (3).

[Rt Hon D Trimble MP]

In Standing Order 52, paragraph (1), on line 2, leave out "arrange" and after "shall" insert "make arrangements for".

[Mr E McGrady MP]

In Standing Order 52, leave out paragraph (2).

[Mr I Davis]

In Standing Order 53, leave out "CONFORMITY WITH EQUALITY REQUIREMENTS - SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON" and insert "SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CONFORMITY WITH EQUALITY REQUIREMENTS"

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 53, paragraph (1), after "(including", insert "rights under".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 53, paragraph (3), leave out "any report" and insert "all reports".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 53, leave out paragraph (5).

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 54, paragraph (3), leave out all the words after "party as" and insert "any Minister or junior Minister".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 55, paragraph (1)(a), leave out "privileges" and insert "privilege".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 56, leave out "A Committee shall be established" and insert "The Assembly, by resolution, shall establish a Committee".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 57, paragraph (1), line 1, leave out "If" and insert "The Speaker may, if".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 57, paragraph (1), line 11, leave out "the Speaker may".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 57, paragraph (1), line 13, after "he" add "/she".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 57, paragraph (3), line 3, leave out all after "shall" and add "include any part of Parliament Buildings".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 58, paragraph (4), after "the", insert "Public Gallery of the"

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 61, at the end of paragraph (3), add

"whether such pecuniary interest or benefit is held by the Member or an immediate relative."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 62, paragraph (1), leave out "three days".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 62, paragraph (3), leave out all the words after "Assembly and" to the end of the sentence and insert

"refer the matter to the Committee on Standards and Privileges."

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 62, paragraph (3), leave out "due" and insert "sufficient".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

In Standing Order 62, leave out paragraph (4).

[Mr P Robinson MP]

Leave out Standing Order 69.

[Mr P Robinson MP]

Leave out Standing Order 70 and insert the following new Standing Order:

"The language of this Assembly shall be English."

[Mr C Wilson]

In Standing Order 71, leave out "strength" and insert "strengths".

[Mr P Robinson MP]

#### Approval of Draft Standing Orders

That Standing Orders 1 to 70, as amended, be the Standing Orders of the Assembly.

[The Initial Presiding Officer]

### **PRIVATE MEMBERS' MOTIONS**

#### Pig Industry

To call attention to the unprecedented and ongoing crisis within the pig industry, and to call upon Her Majesty's Government, in conjunction with the European Union, the banks and those involved in the processing sector, to take the necessary immediate steps to alleviate the present crisis and ensure the future viability of the pig industry within Northern Ireland; and to move for papers.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[OP 03/98 – 5 October 1998]

#### Natural Gas Pipeline

To call attention to the lack of provision of a natural gas pipeline outside the Greater Belfast area; and to move for papers.

[Mr A Doherty]  
[OP 06/98 – 14&15 December 1998]

#### Report on Strands One and Two of the Belfast Agreement

Noting that:

- a. no proposals under paragraph 16 of strand one of the Belfast Agreement have yet been made,
- b. actions set out in paragraph 8 of strand two of the Belfast Agreement have not been achieved,
- c. any party inextricably linked with a paramilitary organisation retaining arms cannot give a total and absolute commitment to exclusively democratic means of resolving differences on political issues or oppose the use or threat of force by others for such purposes,

this Assembly calls upon the First Minister (Designate) and Deputy First Minister (Designate) to lay a report on these matters before the House within 14 days.

[Mr R L McCartney QC MP]  
[OP 06/98 – 14&15 December 1998]

### No Confidence in the Initial Presiding Officer

This Assembly has no confidence in the Initial Presiding Officer.

[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[OP 08/98 – 1 February 1999]

### Motion under Initial Standing Order 13

That the Lord Alderdice be Presiding Officer of this Assembly.

[Mr Cedric Wilson]  
[Mrs Eileen Bell]  
[OP 09/98 – 15&16 February 1998]

### Exclusion of Sinn Féin

This Assembly resolves that Sinn Féin does not enjoy the confidence of the Assembly because it is not committed to non-violence and exclusively peaceful and democratic means and, therefore, consistent with Standing Order 24(2)(a) determines that members of Sinn Féin shall be excluded from holding office as Ministers or Ministers (Designate) for a period of twelve months beginning with the date of this resolution.

[Rev Dr I R K Paisley MP MEP]  
[Mr P Robinson MP]  
[OP 13/98 – 15&16 July 1999 (motion fell as only 28 Members demonstrated their support for the motion)]  
[OP 14/98 – 29 November 1999 (motion fell as only 29 Members demonstrated their support for the motion)]

### Resignation of Deputy First Minister (Designate)

That this Assembly wishes, notwithstanding his offer of resignation as Deputy First Minister (Designate), that Séamus Mallon MP hold office as Deputy First Minister (Designate).

[Mr S Neeson]  
[OP 14/98 – 29 November 1999]

### All Ireland Institutions

That this House should not consider agreeing or authorising all-Ireland Institutions until their remit and accountability and executive powers have been fully approved by this Assembly.

[Mr Robert McCartney QC MP]

### Agriculture Industry

To call attention to the grave difficulties being experienced by every sector of the agriculture industry in Northern Ireland, and in particular the need for Her Majesty's Government to provide appropriate compensation through revaluation of the green pound, base future support payments on satisfaction of social and environmental goals rather than production and to give farmers adequate notice of such a change; and to move for papers.

[Mr David Ford]

### “The Golden Sperrins”

This Assembly notes with regret the decision by the Northern Ireland Tourist Board to create only five Regional Tourist Organisations thus excluding the region known as “The Golden Sperrins” which is well known for its history, beauty and archaeology; and to move for papers.

[Mr Oliver C Gibson]

### Electricity failure

To call attention to the large number of homes throughout Northern Ireland which were without electricity for sustained periods over the Christmas holiday, express concern at the breakdown in the emergency system which led to consumers being unable to report faults, seek assurances from NIE that suitable steps are being taken to avoid similar problems in the future; and to move for papers.

[Mrs Eileen Bell]

### Future of Harbours in Northern Ireland

To call attention to the future of harbours in Northern Ireland; and to move for papers.

[Mr Eddie McGrady MP]

### Tunnel Link between NI and GB

To call attention to the possibility of creating a tunnel linkage between Northern Ireland and Great Britain; and to move for papers.

[Mr Oliver C Gibson]

### Ulster Rugby Football Team

To call attention to the magnificent achievement of the Ulster Rugby Football team in winning the 1998-99 European Championship in such a memorable fashion; and to move for papers.

[Mr Danny Kennedy]

[Mr Sean Neeson]



## Fluoridation of Water

This Assembly notes:

the growing evidence in support of the case that fluoridation of water supplies is harmful to both public health and the environment; and

the decisions of authorities in Denmark, Holland and France to abandon fluoridation;

and therefore requests Her Majesty's Government to halt all fluoridation schemes in Northern Ireland and to conduct an independent public enquiry into the issue of fluoridation.

[Mr Norman J Boyd]

## Relocation of the NI Automobile Association

To call attention to the intention of the Automobile Association to relocate its Northern Ireland Operations Centre to Scotland, and to the apparent perception that this Assembly will be inferior to the Scottish Parliament; and to move for papers.

[Mr David Ford]

## Abortion Act 1967

To move to resolve, That this Assembly is opposed to the extension of the Abortion Act 1967 to Northern Ireland.

[Mr Jim Wells]  
[Rev Dr W McCrea]

## Department of the Environment's publication paper – 'Dangerous Wild Animals'

To call attention to the publication of the Department of the Environment's consultation paper 'Dangerous Wild Animals'; and to move for papers.

[Mr Oliver C Gibson]

## European Monetary Union

To move to resolve, That this Assembly supports entry to the European Monetary Union.

[Mr Sean Farren]

## Genetically Modified Crops

This House would support:

A moratorium on the growing of genetically modified crops until legitimate questions about safety are answered and safeguards implemented; and

A ban on further import of genetically modified maize and other crops where it cannot be shown that health and environment concerns have been adequately considered.

[Mr Jim Shannon]

## Tobacco Products Smuggling

This Assembly calls on Her Majesty's Government to take note of the Petition submitted by The Tobacco Alliance to the Northern Ireland Assembly calling for Her Majesty's Government to take appropriate measures to prevent the smuggling of tobacco products into the United Kingdom.

[Mr Ian Paisley Jnr]