

## **RECORD OF DECISION – IP/FS 5**

Pursuant to the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland establishing a North/South Ministerial Council done at Dublin on 8 March 1999, the Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland establishing Implementation Bodies done at Dublin on 8 March 1999 and to the supplementary Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland constituted by the exchange of letters dated 18 June 1999, as amended by the supplementary Agreement between the Government of Ireland and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland constituted by the exchange of notes dated 19 November 2002, Ms Angela Smith, M.P., Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State and Mr. Micheál Martin, T.D., Minister for Health and Children have given consent to the decision in Paper **IP/FS 5**. The effective date of this decision is 25 November 2003.

### **Decision Sought in Paper IP/FS 5**

Ministers are invited, subject to the final approval of Finance Ministers to approve:-

- (a) The creation, grading and remuneration of an additional 9 posts in the Food Safety Promotion Board;
- (b) The recruitment of staff by open competition to fill the posts; and
- (c) That future adjustment in salary for all staff (excluding the Chief Executive scale which is subject to separate Ministerial approval arrangements) should be in line with the corresponding grades in the Irish Civil and Public Service and shall be agreed between the Sponsoring Departments and Finance Departments without further reference to the NSMC.