

RECORD OF DECISION – IP/LAN 4

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. Eamon Ó Cuív, T.D., Minister for Community, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs have given consent to the decision in paper **IP/LAN 4**. The effective date of this decision is 31 March 2003.

Decision Sought in Paper IP/LAN 4

Ministers are invited, subject to the final approval of Finance Ministers,

(i) to approve the recruitment of the following as full time staff of the Ulster Scots Agency (current salary range in brackets):

- Finance and Administration Manager: (£18,440 - £26,326)
- Grants Officer: (£13,181 - £19,012)
- Finance and Administration Officer: (£10,723 - £15,383)
- Personal Assistant: (£10,723 - £15,383)

(ii) to approve that future adjustments in salary for all permanent staff (excluding Chief Executive scale which is subject to separate Ministerial approval arrangements) in line with the corresponding

grades in the NICS and ICS, as appropriate, shall be agreed between the Sponsoring and Finance Departments without further reference to the NSMC.