

RECORD OF DECISION – IP/TOU 10

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, Mr. Ian Pearson, M.P., Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State and Mr. John O'Donoghue, T.D., Minister for Arts, Sport and Tourism have given consent to the decision sought in **Paper IP/TOU 10**. The effective date of this decision is 8 December 2003.

Decisions Sought in Paper IP/TOU 10

Ministers are invited to:

- (a) agree Tourism Ireland's overall pay and overheads budget of €20.34m to be met by a contribution of €4.6m (£2.87m) from the North and €15.7m (£9.73m) from the South respectively;
- (b) agree that for future budgeting purposes the North:South ratio for Tourism Ireland's pay and overhead costs shall be 1: 3.4;
and
- (c) agree Tourism Ireland's establishment number of 152.