MEMBERSHIP AND TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE BELFAST COMMITTEES

1.0 Belfast Development Committee

Chairman: Mr Goodhart

Members: Lord Elton, other Ministers as appropriate

Chairman of NIHE

Lord Mayor of Belfast plus representative of Council

Chairman, Belfast Education and Library Board

Chairman, Eastern Health and Social Services Board

Officials normally in attendance:

Mr Bloomfield, Permanent Secretary, DOE, and other Senior Officials from DOE, DENI, DHSS, CES, NIO, Central Secretariat and Belfast City Council

When appropriate:

Senior Officials from DOC

DOF

DMS

1.1 Terms of Reference

- "(a) To secure the effective co-ordination of future policies, programmes and projects bearing on the development of Belfast and the standards and conditions of life in the city;
- (b) in particular, to maintain commitment amongst the agencies and public authorities concerned to a priority approach to the areas of multiple deprivation in the city;
- (c) to stimulate measures to achieve a significant improvement in the standards of life in the city generally and in the areas of multiple deprivation in particular; and
- (d) in securing these objectives, to promote the maximum involvement of the people living in the areas concerned, through better

communication between Government and their representatives, and in other ways".

2.0 Belfast Areas of Need Working Group

Chairman: Mr Goodhart

Members: Town Clerk, Belfast City Council

Chief Officers, EHSSB, BELB

Permanent Secretary, DOE, and other Senior Officials from DOE, DHSS, DENI, DOC, DMS, NIO, Central Secretariat, CES, Maintained Schools Commission, NIHE

2.1 Terms of Reference

"Under the direction of the Belfast Development Committee

- (a) to maintain commitment amongst the agencies and public authorities concerned with the City of Belfast to a priority approach to the areas of multiple deprivation in the city;
- (b) to ensure the greatest possible involvement of the people living in these areas to this new approach and to promote better communication between Government and community representatives;
- (c) to stimulate measures to achieve a significant improvement in the standards of life in these areas; and
- (d) to secure the effective co-ordination of policies, programmes and projects affecting these areas".

In order to emphasise continuing ministerial commitment to the BAN approach, I would recommend that you chair this Group; but if you do not favour this, I can take the chair. I attach proposals for membership in Annex 2. We would wish to take advantage of some of the expertise accumulated by the existing BAN Secretariat in Central Secretariat.

3.0 Belfast Housing Working Group

Chairman: Mr Goodhart

Members: Permanent Secretary, DOE

' Chairman, NIHE

Senior Officials DOE and NIHE

3.1 Terms of Reference

"Under the direction of the Belfast Development Committee to ensure effective co-ordination and control and energetic and efficient implementation of policies and programmes designed to secure a significant improvement in Belfast housing conditions".