

DRAFT REGIONAL STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Report of the Panel Conducting the Public Examination

Explanatory Note

A copy of the Report of the Panel, which conducted the Public Examination into the draft Regional Strategic Framework for Northern Ireland, is enclosed.

The report was sent to the then Minister for Regional Development, Mr Peter Robinson, on 31 January. Following publication, copies are now being distributed to all those who have been interested and involved in the preparation of a regional development strategy.

The Department will produce a paper, setting out a considered response to these detailed points, which will identify those matters capable of early settlement and those requiring further direction.

The Department is now inviting all interested parties, including elected representatives, to put forward their final views on the Panel's Report, in writing to the address below, by 31 May 2000.

The Department will prepare a final draft of the strategy by the end of June 2000 for further political consideration.

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