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Introduction

This is the fifteenth Annual Report to be published since the post of Certification Officer was established under section 7 of the Employment Protection Act 1975. It deals with my activities during the calendar year 1990.

During 1990 my functions included the following responsibilities:

under the Trade Union Act 1913 – for ensuring observance of the statutory procedures governing the setting up, operation, and review of political funds; and for dealing with complaints about breaches of political fund rules or about the conduct of political fund ballots;

under the Trade Union (Amalgamations, etc.) Act 1964 – for seeing that the statutory procedures for amalgamations, transfers of engagements and changes of name are complied with, and for dealing with complaints by members about the conduct of merger ballots;

under the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 – for maintaining lists of trade unions and employers' associations; for seeing that these organisations keep accounting records, have their accounts properly audited and submit annual returns; and for ensuring that the statutory requirements concerning the actuarial examination of members' superannuation schemes are observed;

under the Employment Protection Act 1975 – for determining the independence of trade unions;

under the Employment Act 1980 – for reimbursing certain expenditure incurred by independent trade unions in conducting secret postal ballots for specified purposes in accordance with Regulations made by the Secretary of State for Employment;

under Part I of the Trade Union Act 1984 – for dealing with complaints by members that a trade union has failed to comply with one or more of the provisions of the Act, which imposes duties on a trade union to hold secret postal ballots for electing members of its principal executive committee and to maintain an accurate register of its members.

A separate chapter discusses each of these functions.

During 1990 the Office's workload concerned with payments towards the costs of secret postal ballots continued to increase, and total payments rose to over £2.6 million. There was no lessening in the volume of work arising from the supervision of trade union mergers, and from issues concerning trade union political funds and trade union independence. During the year I issued five decisions on complaints about trade union election ballots and two decisions on complaints about trade union merger ballots. The commencement of legal proceedings against the National Union of Mineworkers relating to their accounting records attracted particular public interest.

The Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service is responsible for providing me with the finance and support services necessary for the performance of my statutory duties but this in no way affects the exercise of my functions independently both of the Service and of the Secretary of State. The Office continues to receive professional advice on superannuation matters from the Government Actuary's Department.

Mr G S Osborne and Mr J L J Craig, WS, continued to hold their appointments as Assistant Certification Officer and Assistant Certification Officer for Scotland respectively.

Accounts of the Office prepared under paragraph 35 of Schedule 1 to the Employment Protection Act 1975 are published separately by order of the House of Commons. In broad terms it is estimated that about 33 per cent of the Office's resources are allocated to work connected with the receipt, scrutiny and follow-up of annual returns from trade unions and employers' associations; 37 per cent to work arising from the refund of costs of trade unions' secret postal ballots; and the remainder to other matters including trade union election complaints, trade union mergers, political funds, etc. The statutory fees to be paid for certain items of work undertaken by the Office were increased by Regulations* made by the Secretary of State for Employment. The net cost of the Office for the year ended 31 March 1990 was £438,000.

Entry in the lists and its significance

- 1.1 The Certification Officer maintains a list of trade unions and a list of employers' associations in accordance with the provisions of section 8 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974.
- 1.2 Listing is voluntary and any organisation of workers or of employers may apply to be listed. If the Certification Officer is satisfied that the organisation falls within the appropriate definition in section 28 of the 1974 Act he must enter its name in the relevant list. Entry on the list is usually a simple process and means no more than that the body concerned satisfies the statutory definition. The Act does not impose any test of size or effectiveness. Section 28 is reproduced in full at paragraph 1.13.
- 1.3 Any organisation aggrieved by the refusal of the Certification Officer to enter its name in the relevant list may appeal to the Employment Appeal Tribunal.
- 1.4 For trade unions, listing is an essential preliminary to any application for a certificate of independence under section 8 of the Employment Protection Act 1975. It is also one of the requirements for obtaining tax relief in respect of expenditure on provident benefits. There are no corresponding advantages for employers' associations.
- 1.5 Copies of the current lists may be inspected free of charge at the Certification Office, 27 Wilton Street, London SWIX 7AZ. The lists for organisations having their head office in Scotland may be inspected at the office of the Assistant Certification Officer for Scotland, 58 Frederick Street, Edinburgh EH2 1LN.

Removal from the lists

1.6 If at any time it appears to the Certification Officer that an organisation whose name is entered on the relevant list is not a trade union or an employers' association he may, after giving the organisation concerned the opportunity to make representations, remove its name from that list. There is a right of appeal to the Employment Appeal Tribunal against removal of a name from a list. The Certification Officer must also remove the name of an organisation from the list if he is satisfied that it no longer exists or if the organisation requests that he should do so.

^{*}The Certification Officer (Amendment of Fees) Regulations 1990 (S.I. 1990 No. 339).

The lists at 31 December 1990

- 1.7 As required by section 8(9) of the 1974 Act this Report includes the lists as at 31 December 1990. They are reproduced as Appendices 1 and 2. The lists at the end of 1990 comprised 323 trade unions and 135 employers' associations.
- 1.8 Changes during 1990 are summarised in the table below:

	On lists at 31 December 1989	Changes be 1 January 1 31 Decemb	On lists at 31 December 1990	
		Additions	Removals	
Trade Unions	342	7	26	323
Employers' Associations	139	6	10	135

- 1.9 The seven additions to the list of trade unions are shown in italics in Appendix 1. Of the 26 unions removed from the list 13 had ceased to exist as a result of mergers and 11 had been dissolved.
- 1.10 Six employers' associations were added to and 10 were removed from the list. Of the 10 employers' associations removed from the list three had ceased to exist as a result of mergers and seven had been dissolved.

Unlisted organisations

1.11 Because entry in the lists is voluntary it is difficult to say precisely how many trade unions and employers' associations are in existence at any given time. In addition to the numbers of listed organisations given in paragraph 1.8, at the end of the year there were 25 trade unions and 162 employers' associations which submit annual returns to the Office but which have not sought to be listed. There may be others meeting the statutory definition of which the Office is unaware.

Department of Employment

1.12 The information collected by the Office provides the main basis for updating the Department of Employment's Directory of Employers' Associations, Trade Unions, Joint Organisations, etc. and for compiling its annual statistics of numbers and membership of trade unions.

Statutory definitions in the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974

- 1.13 Section 28 of the 1974 Act reads as follows:
 - '28 (1) In this Act, except so far as the context otherwise requires, 'trade union' means an organisation (whether permanent or temporary) which either
 - (a) consists wholly or mainly of workers of one or more descriptions and is an organisation whose principal purposes include the regulation of relations between workers of that description or those descriptions and employers or employers' associations; or
 - (b) consists wholly or mainly of-
 - (i) constituent or affiliated organisations which fulfil the conditions specified in paragraph (a) above (or themselves consist wholly or mainly of constituent or affiliated organisations which fulfil those conditions), or
 - (ii) representatives of such constituent or affiliated organisations;

and in either case is an organisation whose principal purposes include the regulation of relations between workers and employers or between workers and employers' associations, or include the regulation of relations between its constituent or affiliated organisations.

- (2) In this Act, except so far as the context otherwise requires, 'employers' association' means an organisation (whether permanent or temporary) which either –
 - (a) consists wholly or mainly of employers or individual proprietors of one or more descriptions and is an organisation whose principal purposes include the regulation of relations between employers of that description or those descriptions and workers or trade unions; or

- (b) consists wholly or mainly of
 - constituent or affiliated organisations which fulfil the conditions specified in paragraph (a) above (or themselves consist wholly or mainly of constituent or affiliated organisations which fulfil those conditions), or
 - (ii) representatives of such constituent or affiliated organisations;

and in either case is an organisation whose principal purposes include the regulation of relations between employers and workers or between employers and trade unions, or include the regulation of relations between its constituent or affiliated organisations.'

Trade Union Independence

The statutory provisions

2.1 Section 30(1) of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 defines an independent trade union as:

'a trade union which -

- is not under the domination or control of an employer or a group of employers or of one or more employers' associations; and
- (b) is not liable to interference by an employer or any such group or association (arising out of the provision of financial or material support or by any other means whatsoever) tending towards such control'.
- 2.2 The procedure for determining the independence of trade unions is laid down in section 8 of the Employment Protection Act 1975. The Certification Officer must keep a public record of all applications for certificates of independence and all decisions reached. He may not take a decision on any application until at least one month after it has been entered in the record and must take into account any relevant information submitted by third parties. He is required to give his reasons if he refuses a certificate of independence and the union concerned has a right of appeal to the Employment Appeal Tribunal.
- 2.3 The Certification Officer may withdraw a certificate at any time if he is of the opinion that the trade union concerned is no longer independent. As in the case of a refusal, a trade union aggrieved by a decision to withdraw its certificate has a right of appeal to the Employment Appeal Tribunal.
- 2.4 Where a question as to the independence of a particular union arises in proceedings before the courts, industrial tribunals or certain other bodies, and no certificate has been issued or refused, the 1975 Act provides that the proceedings may not continue further until that question has been decided by the Certification Officer.

Working methods

2.5 The working methods used by the Office in considering applications for certificates of independence remain unchanged. Essentially, they consist of a scrutiny of the applicant union's rules and finances, followed where necessary by detailed investigation of the union's affairs.

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2.6 The principal criteria used by the Certification Officer in determining whether or not an applicant union satisfies the statutory definition are explained in the Office's booklet Guidance for trade unions wishing to apply for a certificate of independence* under the following headings:

> History Membership base Organisation and structure Finance Employer-provided facilities Negotiating record

The Certification Officer reaches his decision on the basis of the criteria as a whole and in doing so he is strictly bound by the statutory definition. He is not empowered to take into account other considerations such as the effect the issue of a certificate might have on industrial relations.

Applications

2.7 Ten applications for certificates of independence were received during 1990, one more than in 1989. Two of the applications, from the National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers and from the Nationwide Anglia Building Society Staff Association, were made by newly formed trade unions following amalgamations where each of the unions involved had held a certificate of independence immediately prior to the effective date of the mergers.

Decisions

- 2.8 During the year six certificates of independence were issued, one of which was in respect of an application carried over from the previous year. No applications were refused in 1990. Five applications remained outstanding at the end of the year. Eleven certificates were cancelled because the unions concerned had ceased to exist. Mergers accounted for 10 of these cancellations. Details are given in Appendix 3.
- 2.9 In February 1990 the Government Communications Staff Federation served notice of an appeal to the Employment Appeal Tribunal against the Certification Officer's decision in December 1989 to refuse the Federation a certificate of independence. No date has yet been fixed for a hearing of the appeal.

Annual Returns and Accounts

The statutory provisions

- 3.1 Section 10 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 provides that every trade union and employers' association (except one which consists wholly or mainly of representatives of constituent or affiliated organisations) must keep proper accounting records in respect of its transactions, assets and liabilities, and must establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holdings and all its receipts and remittances. The accounting records kept must be such as are necessary to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation and to explain its transactions.
- 3.2 Under section 11 of the Act the organisation (unless it has been in existence for less than 12 months) is also required to submit an annual return to the Certification Officer in the form prescribed. Schedule 2 provides that the return is to include revenue and other accounts and a balance sheet, which must give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate. The return must also show any changes in the organisation's officers or in the address of its head office, and must be accompanied by a copy of the rules in force at the end of the period.
- 3.3 Schedule 2 of the Act prescribes that annual returns should be submitted before 1 June in each year and cover the year ending the preceding 31 December. However, the Certification Officer may direct that the return is to relate to a different annual period, and this is usually done if the normal timetable would cause serious inconvenience to the organisation concerned.
- 3.4 Schedule 2 also stipulates that the annual return is to include a copy of the auditor's report on the accounts. It confers extensive powers on auditors, who must be professionally qualified unless the organisation's membership, assets, receipts and payments are below specified levels, or certain special circumstances apply. The Schedule contains detailed provisions about the qualifications, appointment and removal of auditors and confers on them certain rights to have access to books and information and to attend and speak at general meetings of the organisation.

^{*}Copies of the booklet are available on request.

- 3.5 The auditor must state whether, in his opinion, the accounts give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate. He has a duty to carry out such investigations as will enable him to form an opinion on whether proper accounting records have been kept, whether a satisfactory system of control has been maintained and whether the accounts are in agreement with the accounting records. If in his opinion the statutory requirements have not been satisfied, or he fails to obtain all the necessary information and explanations, he must say so in his report.
- 3.6 Provided the period covered is the same and there is no significant diminution in the degree of disclosure, a trade union or employers' association incorporated under the Companies Acts may submit with its return, in lieu of the prescribed accounts, a copy of its accounts prepared under the Companies Acts and so avoid the duplication of broadly similar financial statements. In such circumstances, however, and notwithstanding anything in the Companies Acts, an auditor's report is still required to be made and this report must comply with the requirements of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974. A recent amendment, in force on 1 April 1990, has made clear that the auditors appointed for such a trade union or employers' association under the Companies Acts are also auditors for the purposes of the 1974 Act, without the need to be separately appointed.
- 3.7 With the exceptions already noted, the duties imposed by sections 10 and 11 and by Schedule 2 of the 1974 Act apply to all trade unions and employers' associations, whether listed under section 8 of the Act or not. Refusal or wilful neglect to perform any of them is an offence for which the organisation concerned may be prosecuted and fined. The Certification Officer is responsible for enforcing these provisions, but he is not empowered to carry out detailed investigations into the finances of trade unions or employers' associations or to undertake prosecutions for such offences as embezzlement or fraud which are dealt with under the ordinary criminal law.

Late submission of returns

3.8 The late submission of some annual returns has been a continuing problem over a number of years although the problem is diminishing. Efforts to secure stricter compliance with the statutory requirements are continuing.

Legal proceedings

3.9 In September 1990 the Certification Officer laid a number of charges in the Sheffield Magistrates Court against the National Union of Mineworkers and its President and Secretary alleging failure to keep proper accounting records and other offences under section 12 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974. The case will be heard in June 1991. Charges under section 12 alleging failure to submit an annual return were laid against another union, the Colne and District Textile Warehouse Association, and its President in Reedley Magistrates Court, Lancashire, in November 1990.*

- 3.10 Statistical information derived from the annual returns of trade unions and employers' associations is given at Appendices 4, 5 and 8. That information and the following comments in this chapter relate to the year 1989. This is because the Office's information is derived from the annual returns (which include audited accounts) for 1989 which were submitted during 1990, the year covered by this report.
- 3.11 Appendix 4 shows that at the end of 1989 there were 23 trade unions with over 100,000 members.
- 3.12 Appendix 5 shows that at the end of 1989 there were 31 employers' associations with an annual income of over £1,000,000.
- 3.13 The total of 622 organisations which submitted returns for 1989 was made up as follows:

Listed trade unions	300
Unlisted trade unions	19
Listed employers' associations	136
Unlisted employers' associations	167

Trade unions

- 3.14 A summary of statistics concerning the membership and finances of trade unions for 1989 is given in Appendix 4. Details of unions with over 100,000 members are shown separately.
- 3.15 Comparability with 1988 figures. The statistics in Appendix 4 are based on returns from 319 unions in 1989 compared with returns from 326 unions in 1988. All unions of substantial size are included in both sets of figures, which are therefore broadly comparable.
- 3.16 Membership. The trade unions from which returns were received had a total membership of 10,043,606. The major unions with a membership of over 100,000 accounted for 8,163,414 members or 81 per cent of the total.
- 3.17 The returns show that in 1989 total trade union membership fell for the tenth consecutive year since 1979 when it reached a peak of 13.2 million. The fall in union membership of 343,632 was the largest for several years.

^{*}This case was heard on 19 February 1991 and both defendants were found guilty. They each received the maximum fine of £400 and were ordered to pay £300 each in costs.

3.18 The following table shows changes of 10,000 or more in the membership of individual unions between December 1988 and December 1989:

Changes in Trade Union Membership

	Mem	Membership ('000s)*		
	1988	1989	Changes	
Decreases:				
Amalgamated Engineering Union	794	742	-52	
National Union of Mineworkers	170	123	-47	
Transport and General Workers Union	1313	1271	-42	
GMB	864†	823	-41	
National Union of Public Employees	635	605	-30	
Civil and Public Services Association	143	128	-15	

- 3.19 Income. Trade union income derives mainly from membership subscriptions and income from investments. There may also be additional income and/or assets arising if, for example, a union accepts the transfer of engagements of another union.
- 3.20 In 1989 the gross income of trade unions was £539.4 million compared with £522.6 million in 1988. Income from members rose from £429.7 million to £442.6 million, reflecting higher subscription rates. There was also an increase in income from investments which rose from £38.6 million to £42.5 million.
- 3.21 Expenditure. Gross expenditure rose from £499.8 million in 1988 to £525.8 million in 1989. Changes in payments on members' benefits and on administration and other expenditure compared with 1988 are shown in the following table:

on 1 March 1989.

	1988 (£ million)	1989 (£ million)	Percentage change
Gross expenditure including:	499.8	525.8	+5.2
(a) benefits to members (b) administration and other	57.8	57.1	-1.2
expenditure*	442.0	468.7	+6.0

3.22 The table below shows the average contribution and total income per member in 1989 together with average expenditure on benefits and administration and total expenditure per member. Similar figures are included for 1988. The amounts given are based on total membership which was smaller in 1989 than in 1988. In some unions not all members contribute for every benefit.

	Average annual i per member		Average annual expenditure per member (£)				
	Total income per member	Average contribution received	Benefits	Adminis- tration and other expenditure*	Total expenditure		
1989	53.71	44.07	5.69	46.66	52.35		
1988	50.31	41.36	5.56	42.56	48.12		

- 3.23 Funds. The figures given in Appendix 4 include both general funds and others where applicable, eg. contingency, superannuation and political funds.† During 1989 total funds increased from £620 million to £631 million.
- 3.24 Assets. At the end of 1989 gross assets of trade unions amounted to £757.4 million, an increase of £15.7 million over the previous year's figure. Fixed assets increased by £14.5 million to £248.2 million, and investments decreased by £16.7 million to £261.9 million.

^{*}The total membership reported by some trade unions includes a number of special categories (e.g. honorary, retired, unemployed) who are members under the union's rules but who either pay no contribution to the union funds or make a nominal payment only.

†This figure combines the previous figures for GMBATU and APEX which amalgamated to form GMB

^{*}The distinction between benefits to members and administration and other expenditure is not always clear cut. Certain types of expenditure – for example, the provision of legal and other advisory services – can fall under either heading.

[†]Separate figures for political funds are given in Appendix 8.

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- 3.25 A summary of statistics concerning the membership and finances of employers' associations for 1989 is given in Appendix 5. Details are given for each association (including unlisted associations) with total income of more than £1 million.
- 3.26 Comparability with 1988 figures. The statistics in Appendix 5 are based on returns from 303 employers' associations compared with returns from 292 associations for 1988. The largest employers' associations, as measured by total income, are included in both sets of figures which are therefore broadly comparable.
- 3.27 Income and Expenditure. In 1989 the gross income of employers' associations was £148.6 million compared with £119.0 million in 1988. Income from members rose from £68.2 million to £79.8 million and income from investments rose from £8.7 million to £18.7 million. Gross expenditure increased from £111.3 million to £135.3 million.
- 3.28 Funds. The figures given in the Appendix include both general funds and, where applicable, funds maintained for specific purposes. During 1989 total funds increased from £83 million to £101 million.
- 3.29 Assets. At the end of 1989 gross assets of employers' associations amounted to £168.2 million, an increase of £21.6 million over the previous year's figure. Fixed assets increased by £5.9 million to £57.6 million, and investments by £5.6 million to £48.0 million.

Public inspection of annual returns

3.30 Copies of the annual returns (and of the rules) of trade unions and employers' associations from 1974 onwards are available for public inspection at the Certification Office or, where appropriate, the Office of the Assistant Certification Officer for Scotland.

Superannuation Schemes

The statutory provisions

4.1 The Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 (as amended) requires that any member's superannuation scheme maintained by a trade union or employers' association* must be examined periodically by a qualified actuary and a copy of each actuarial report sent to the Certification Officer. The actuarial examination is required to be made not later than five years after the effective date of the preceding examination, but the Certification Officer has power to direct that in any particular case the period of five years may be reduced to such shorter period as he may specify. The Certification Officer also has power to exempt a member's superannuation scheme from actuarial examination in certain circumstances. No trade union or employers' association may maintain a members' superannuation scheme unless it also maintains a separate fund for the payment of benefits in accordance with the scheme. A copy of the actuarial report made under the above provisions must be supplied free of charge to any member of the trade union or employers' association on application to the organisation concerned.

Actuarial reports

4.2 The statutory provisions require that the report by the actuary following his examination of any scheme shall state whether in his opinion the premium or contribution rates are adequate, whether the accounting or funding arrangements are suitable, and whether the separately maintained superannuation fund is adequate. The Office continues to ensure that these requirements are not overlooked.

Schemes maintained

4.3 At the end of the year there were 22 members' superannuation schemes maintained by 15 trade unions. They are listed in Appendix 6. Six of these schemes were exempt from actuarial examination.

^{*}In practice the requirements affect trade unions only; the Office is not aware of any schemes maintained by employers' associations.

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4.4 During the year one actuarial report, due in 1990, was received from:

Society of Graphical and Allied Trades - London Central Branch

Two of the three reports which were outstanding at 31 December 1989 were received in 1990. They were from:

Amalgamated Engineering Union

Manufacturing Science and Finance Union

The remaining outstanding report is due from:

National Union of Flint Glass Workers

The Office is in contact with the union and expects the report to be submitted shortly.

Mergers

The statutory provisions

- 5.1 The Trade Union (Amalgamations, etc.) Act 1964 and the Trade Unions and Employers' Associations (Amalgamations, etc.) Regulations 1975, as amended, lay down procedures governing two types of merger transfers of engagements and amalgamations between trade unions and between unincorporated employers' associations. The procedures apply to listed and unlisted organisations. Their main purposes are to facilitate the processes of transfer and amalgamation and, at the same time, to safeguard the rights of members affected by the terms of a merger by ensuring that they are fully informed about the proposal and have the opportunity to vote on it.
- 5.2 Under a transfer of engagements the transferring organisation ('the transferor') loses its legal identity whilst the organisation to which it transfers ('the transferee') continues in being with its legal identity unchanged. An amalgamation produces a new organisation replacing the amalgamating bodies, which cease to exist.
- 5.3 Organisations proposing to enter into a transfer of engagements or an amalgamation must prepare an instrument setting out the proposed terms of the merger and an explanatory notice to members. These documents are formally submitted to the Certification Officer and must have his approval before a ballot of members can be held to approve the instrument.
- 5.4 In a transfer of engagements only the members of the transferor organisation vote on the resolution to approve the instrument. An amalgamation requires a favourable vote by the members of each amalgamating organisation. If the required majority of votes recorded in each ballot is in favour of the merger, application to register the instrument is made to the Certification Officer.
- 5.5 An interval of six weeks must elapse between the application for registration and registration itself; and before the expiry of the six-week period any member of the transferor organisation or of any amalgamating organisation may complain to the Certification Officer on the grounds that one or more of the statutory conditions governing the ballot arrangements have not been observed. The Certification Officer may dismiss the complaint or, if after hearing both sides he finds the complaint justified, he may either make a declaration but no order or make an order specifying the steps which must be taken before he will register the instrument. There is a right of appeal against the Certification Officer's decision to the Employment Appeal Tribunal on a question of law.

5.6 Formal documents kept by the Certification Officer relating to any merger under the Act are available for public inspection.

Advice on procedures

5.7 The Office's booklet Mergers: a guide to the statutory requirements for transfers of engagements and amalgamations of trade unions and employers' associations explains the merger procedures in detail and sets out, with explanatory notes, the matters to be included in an instrument of transfer or amalgamation. Copies may be obtained free of charge from the Office. The Office will offer advice where needed and is always prepared to meet officials of organisations proposing to merge to discuss procedures and time tables.

Mergers: 1990

- 5.8 During 1990 there were three amalgamations and 13 transfers of engagements of trade unions using the procedures laid down by the 1964 Act. Details are given in Appendix 7. There were no mergers involving employers' associations.
- 5.9 The 16 mergers of trade unions which took place during the year involved a total of 226,935 members. The largest merger registered in 1990, involving 123,000 members, was the amalgamation between the National Union of Railwaymen and the National Union of Seamen to form the National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers which took effect on 10 September 1990.
- 5.10 Three proposed amalgamations and four proposed transfers of engagements involving trade unions were outstanding at the end of the year as were one proposed amalgamation and one proposed transfer of engagements involving employers' associations. In one of these cases, one of the unions concerned had held a merger ballot but had decided, following internal complaints, to rerun it early in 1991.

Complaints

5.11 A member of a trade union may complain to the Certification Officer under section 4(1) of the Act about the conduct of a ballot to approve an instrument of amalgamation or transfer. Two complaints were received during 1990. The Certification Officer dismissed both complaints, one after a formal hearing. His decisions are summarised below.*

- 5.12 A ballot was held in August 1990 among members of the National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (Staffordshire Area) on a resolution to approve a transfer of the Association's engagements to the National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Midland Area. A majority of those voting approved the instrument of transfer and NACODS (Staffordshire Area) applied to the Certification Officer for registration of the instrument. A member complained to the Certification Officer that the ballot did not satisfy the requirements of section 1(2) of the 1964 Act because retired members of the Association had not been given a vote. Section 1(2)(a) requires that 'every member of the union must be entitled to vote on the resolution'. A formal hearing was held in December, following which the Certification Officer dismissed the complaint.
- 5.13 The Association had argued that the retired members were not properly to be regarded as members under the Association's rules and, alternatively, that they were not to be regarded as falling within the term 'member' in section 1(2)(a) of the Act. The Certification Officer said that he did not need to decide the precise status of the retired members under the Association's rules because he had decided that in any event they were not to be regarded as 'members' for the purposes of section 1(2)(a). On the facts of the case the retired members, not being employed, had no interest in any of the Association's representational activities; they were unable to stand for office and had no vote in elections; and they paid only a very small contribution which was credited exclusively to a fund from which a very limited range of benefits was payable to retired members alone. The Certification Officer concluded that the totality of the interests of the retired members in the Association was *de minimis*. Parliament could not have intended to require that such a class of members had to be given a vote in the merger ballot. (Decision No. CO/1964/9).

Complaint against ACTT

5.14 A ballot was held over a seven-week period in August/September 1990 in which the membership of the Association of Cinematograph Television and Allied Technicians (ACTT) voted on a resolution to approve an amalgamation between ACTT and the Broadcasting and Entertainment Trades Alliance (BETA). A separate ballot was held among the membership of BETA. In both ballots a majority of those voting approved the instrument of amalgamation and a joint application was made to register the instrument. Two members of ACTT complained to the Certification Officer that not every member was given an opportunity of voting in the ballot of ACTT members. They said that the Association's register of members was not up to date, and therefore not every member would have received a ballot paper. They gave the names of 11 members in their own branch who had not received ballot papers. In correspondence the Association gave an account of the procedure for maintaining its computerised register and of the advance publicity for the ballot. They also made observations on the individual cases mentioned by the complainants.

^{*}Copies of these decisions are obtainable from the Certification Office.

5.15 The Certification Officer dismissed the complaint without holding a hearing. He treated the complaint as alleging a breach of section 1(2)(b) of the 1964 Act which requires that, so far as is reasonably possible, every member of the union concerned must be given a fair opportunity of voting. The cases mentioned by the complainants arose from various different causes, including incorrect notification of addresses by some members and failure by others to notify changes of address. The Certification Officer noted the steps taken by the Association to keep its register up to date, the fact that the ballot had been well publicised in advance, the substantial balloting period, and the arrangements which had been made by the Electoral Reform Society to enable members who did not receive a ballot paper to be sent one subsequently. He concluded that it had not been shown that the manner of voting failed to satisfy section 1(2)(b) of the Act. (Decision No. CO/1964/10).

Changes of name

5.16 The 1964 Act stipulates that a change of name of a listed trade union or employers' association must be approved by the Certification Officer before it can take effect. During 1990, approval was given to the changes of name of three trade unions and two employers' associations as shown below:

Tra	ade Unions	Effective Date
From To	Association of Polytechnic Teachers Association of Polytechnic and College Teachers	27.6.90
$From\ To$	Lloyds Bank Group Staff Union Lloyds Group Union	18.10.90
$From \ To$	National Union of Mineworkers (North Western Area) National Union of Mineworkers (Lancashire Area)	27.11.90
En	nployers' Associations	
From To	South Eastern Local Authorities Employers Organisation South East Employers	6.3.90
From To	Scottish Glass Merchants and Glaziers Association Scottish Glass Association	3.8.90

Political Funds

The statutory provisions

- 6.1 The Trade Union Act 1913, as amended, enables a trade union or an unincorporated employers' association (whether listed or not) to include the furtherance of political objects, as defined in the Act, among the objects of the organisation and to adopt political fund rules providing for the expenditure of funds on such objects. A resolution to adopt political objects must be passed by a simple majority in a ballot of the members held under rules approved by the Certification Officer. The rules governing the political fund must also be approved by the Certification Officer.
- 6.2 The Act requires the political fund rules to provide, among other things, that any payments in the furtherance of the political objects set out in the Act must be made out of a separate political fund; that members who notify their objection to contributing to the political fund must be exempted from any obligation to contribute to that fund; that such exempt members must not be excluded from any benefits of the organisation or placed under any disability or disadvantage compared with other members (except in relation to the control or management of the political fund); and that contribution to the political fund must not be made a condition for admission to the organisation.
- 6.3 Members wishing to claim exemption must give notice of their objection in the form laid down in the 1913 Act or in a form to the same effect. Unless contributions to the political fund are collected by a separate levy, exempt members of the organisation must be relieved from the payment of the political fund element of the normal periodical contributions. The rules must provide for such relief to be given as far as possible to all exempt members on the occasion of the same periodical contribution. They must also provide for enabling each member to know what portion, if any, of his contribution is a contribution to the political fund.
- 6.4 Any member of a trade union with a political fund who alleges that he is aggrieved by a breach of the political fund rules may complain to the Certification Officer under section 3(2) of the 1913 Act. If, after giving the complainant and the union an opportunity to be heard the Certification Officer considers that a breach has occurred, he may make an order for remedying it. Under section 5A of the 1913 Act an appeal against the decision of the Certification Officer may be made to the Employment Appeal Tribunal on a question of law.

- 6.5 Part III of the Trade Union Act 1984 requires trade unions and employers' associations which already have a political fund resolution in force and wish to continue to spend money on political objects, to pass a political fund resolution again by a further ballot of their members (a review ballot) at least once every 10 years. The review ballot must be held in accordance with rules approved by the Certification Officer.
- 6.6 Under section 16(1) of the Employment Act 1988 a member of a trade union can complain to the Certification Officer if a political fund ballot has been held, or is proposed to be held, in a way that does not comply with the rules for holding the ballot. Any complaint must be made within the period of one year beginning with the day on which the result of the ballot is announced by the union.

Advice on procedures

6.7 On request the Office gives advice on the procedures for establishing political funds and for holding review ballots. An information pack including model rules is available free of charge. Any trade union or employers' association wishing to ballot its members on a political fund resolution should contact the Office at an early stage.

Organisations with political fund rules at 31 December 1990

6.8 One trade union had political fund rules approved for the first time during 1990 following a membership ballot. The union concerned was:

National Association of Colliery Overmen, Deputies and Shotfirers Durham Area.

- 6.9 Where two or more trade unions, each qualified to operate a political fund, amalgamate, the amalgamated union will be treated under the provisions of section 5(4) of the Trade Union (Amalgamations, etc.) Act 1964 as having passed a political fund resolution, provided that the rules of the union in force immediately after the amalgamation include political fund rules. The National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers was the only union so treated during 1990.
- 6.10 The number of political fund resolutions in force at 31 December 1990 was 55. The 54* trade unions concerned are indicated in Appendix 1. As at 31 December 1990 there were no employers' associations maintaining political funds.

- 6.11 Detailed statistical information about the political funds of trade unions is derived from the unions' annual returns. The latest available information is given in Appendix 8, which is derived from returns made by trade unions maintaining political funds at the end of 1989.
- 6.12 Annual returns showed the total income of political funds as £14.6 million in 1989 compared with £12.1 million in 1988, and expenditure £12 million as compared with £9.0 million. Total funds at the end of 1989 were £14.3 million compared with £11.9 million at the end of 1988.

Political fund membership

6.13 Appendix 8 also gives membership information provided by the unions which maintained political funds at 31 December 1989 and shows comparable information for unions with political funds at 31 December 1988.

Exemption notices

6.14 Exemption notices (see paragraph 6.3) are obtainable from the organisation concerned or from the Certification Office. The Office supplied 26 such notices during 1990.

Amendments to rules

6.15 Amendments to political fund rules require the Certification Officer's approval. Such approval is given provided that the amendments have been adopted in accordance with, and satisfy the requirements of, the 1913 Act. Two trade unions had amendments approved in this way in 1990.

Political fund complaints

6.16 During 1990 one complaint was made to the Certification Officer under section 3(2) of the Trade Union Act 1913. The case was resolved as a result of action by the union as was the one case which was outstanding at the end of 1989. The completed cases involved the following trade unions:

National Union of Public Employees

Institution of Professionals Managers and Specialists.

^{*}Within the National Communications Union the Engineering Group and Clerical Group each has a political fund.

Funds for Trade Union Ballots

The statutory provisions

7.1 Section 1 of the Employment Act 1980, as amended, empowers the Certification Officer to refund certain costs incurred by independent trade unions in holding secret postal ballots for specified purposes. The conditions to be observed are laid down in a Scheme contained in Regulations made by the Secretary of State for Employment.*

Qualifying purposes

- 7.2 Regulation 5 of the 1984 Regulations provides that in order to qualify for refund of certain costs the ballot must be held for one or more of the following purposes:
 - (a) obtaining a decision or ascertaining the views of members of a trade union as to the calling or ending of a strike or other industrial action;
 - (b) carrying out an election -
 - (i) in relation to which section 2 of the Trade Union Act 1984, as amended, is required to be satisfied (that is, an election under Part I of the 1984 Act which provides that every member of a trade union's principal executive committee must be elected by secret postal ballot of the members at least once every five years); or
 - (ii) provided for by the rules of a trade union for elections to the principal committee of the union exercising executive functions, by whatever name it is known; or
 - (iii) provided for by the rules of a trade union for elections to the positions of president, chairman, secretary or treasurer of the union or to any position which the person elected will hold as an employee of the union;
 - (c) amending the rules of a trade union;
- *The Funds for Trade Union Ballots Regulations 1984 (SI 1984 No. 1654) as subsequently revised to take account of certain changes in the law made by the Employment Act 1988 (SIs 1988 No. 1123 and No. 2116) and the Employment Act 1990 (SI 1990 No. 2379).

- (d) obtaining a decision in accordance with the Trade Union (Amalgamations, etc.) Act 1964 on a resolution to approve an instrument of amalgamation or transfer;
- (e) obtaining a decision for the purposes of section 3 of the Trade Union Act 1913 as amended (this applies only in cases where a political fund resolution is already in force, that is to say, only in respect of a political fund review ballot which complies with the requirement of Part III of the 1984 Act);
- (f) obtaining a decision or ascertaining the views of members of a trade union as to the acceptance or rejection of a proposal made by an employer which relates in whole or in part to remuneration, hours of work, level of performance, holidays or pensions.

Conditions

7.3 An application for refund will qualify for payment if the ballot is secret and postal and if it is held for one or more of the qualifying purposes. The ballot must also satisfy certain detailed conditions set out in the Regulations some of which are applicable to all ballots whilst others are applicable only to particular ballots. The Certification Officer may not make any payments under the Scheme if he considers that any of the conditions have not been met or if any assurances asked for about observance of the conditions have not been given by the trade union concerned.

Guidance

7.4 Applications under the Scheme must be made within six months of the end of the voting period. The procedure for making an application is set out in the Office's booklet Guidance for trade unions applying for refund of costs of a secret postal ballot which is available from the Certification Office free of charge.

Applications

- 7.5 During 1990, 85 unions made applications for refund in respect of 680 ballots, including a number of unions applying for the first time. This compares with 67 unions which made applications in respect of 483 ballots in 1989.
- 7.6 The Certification Officer made payments in respect of 557 ballots for which applications were made during the year. He also made payments in respect of 80 ballots for which applications were outstanding at the beginning of the year. He was unable to make payments in respect of eight ballots held by eight unions because they failed to meet the provisions of the Scheme.

7.7 In about two-thirds of the cases where a payment was made, the amount refunded was less than the total applied for. Common reasons for reductions were:

refund claimed for items outside the scope of the Scheme eg. scrutineers' fees, nomination forms, result sheets and election literature other than that enclosed with voting papers;

ineligible postal costs;

excessive printing and stationery costs;

refund claimed for costs relating to overseas members in respect of whom conditions of the Scheme were not satisfied.

- 7.8 In July 1990 the House of Lords allowed an appeal by the Electrical Power Engineers Association against the decision of the Court of Appeal mentioned in paragraph 7.8 of the Annual Report for 1989. The case concerned an application by the Association for judicial review of a decision by the Certification Officer refusing the Association a refund because he was not satisfied that the result of the election ballot in question had been determined solely by counting the votes cast, as required by Regulation 11(f) of the 1984 Regulations. In March 1989, in the High Court, Mr Justice Roch had granted judicial review and quashed the decision. In November of that year the Court of Appeal had allowed the Certification Officer's appeal. The House of Lords set aside the order of the Court of Appeal and restored the order of Mr Justice Roch, holding that the election fully complied with Regulation 11(f).*
- 7.9 At the end of the year an application to the High Court by the Royal College of Nursing for judicial review of a decision by the Certification Officer refusing an application for refund was still awaiting a hearing.
- 7.10 The Certification Officer made payments during the year totalling £2,636,766.31 (as compared with £1,339,582.07 in 1989). The recipients are listed in Appendix 9. The rise in the total amount paid in 1990 reflects the growing number of unions applying for refunds for the first time.

The statutory provisions

- 8.1 Part I of the Trade Union Act 1984, as amended by the Employment Act 1988, requires a trade union to ensure that no-one takes up a position as a member of the union's principal executive committee without having been elected to it, or remains in that position for more than five years without having been reelected to it. Elections are required to be by secret postal ballot of the members of the union, conducted in accordance with the conditions laid down in Part I. In addition, every trade union must maintain a register of its members' names and addresses and, as far as reasonably practicable, keep the entries accurate and up to date.
- 8.2 Section 5 of the Act gives individual trade union members the right to apply to the Certification Officer, or to the High Court, for a declaration that their trade union has failed to comply with one or more provisions of Part I of the Act. Where an application is made to the Certification Officer the Act requires him to make such enquiries as he thinks fit and, where he considers it appropriate, to give the applicant and the trade union an opportunity to be heard, before he makes or refuses to make the declaration asked for. In certain circumstances, expenses incurred by persons attending complaint hearings can be reimbursed by the Office.
- 8.3 If the Certification Officer makes a declaration and is satisfied that:
 - (a) steps have been taken by the union with a view to remedying the declared failure or securing that a failure of the same, or similar kind, does not recur; or
 - (b) the union has agreed to take such steps;

he will specify those steps. Additionally (whether or not he makes a declaration) the Certification Officer must give reasons for his decision in writing and such reasons may be accompanied by written observations on any matter arising from, or connected with, the proceedings.

^{*}R v Certification Officer, ex parte Electrical Power Engineers Association, [1990] ICR 156 (Roch J and CA), 682 (HL).

8.4 The making of an application to the Certification Officer under section 5 of the Act does not prevent the applicant, or any other person, from making a subsequent application to the Court under that section in respect of the same matter. Where a subsequent application is made, the Court is required to have due regard to any declaration, reasons or observations of the Certification Officer which are brought to the notice of the Court.

Applications, investigations and decisions

8.5 During 1990 five decisions were issued in cases where investigations were completed into complaints under section 5 of the Act. Two complaints were outstanding at the end of the year. One of these, concerning an election in the Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians, was unusual in that the complainant made a parallel application under section 5 to the High Court before the Certification Officer had completed his enquiries. Following an interim court hearing the union decided to re-run the election, and the Certification Officer therefore decided to suspend consideration of the applications before him pending the new election.

Declarations

- 8.6 Two of the five decisions issued in 1990 contained a declaration to the effect that the union concerned had failed to comply with the requirements of Part I of the Act. In the other three decisions the Certification Officer declined to make the declarations sought.
- 8.7 The first declaration was made against the Self-Employed and Employed Electricians Association and concerned a failure to hold elections for positions on the Association's principal executive committee.* The Association has since held an election. The second declaration was made against the Society of Graphical and Allied Trades and concerned a failure to hold elections for the positions of the President and two other members of the Society's principal executive committee after the coming into force of the Employment Act 1988.† In this case the complainant is understood to have subsequently indicated his intention to apply to the High Court for an enforcement order, and this was followed by agreement on remedial steps.
- 8.8 Copies of all decisions are available free of charge from the Certification Office.

^{*}Decision No. D/1/90.

[†]Decision No. D/3/90.

Appendix 1

(see paragraph 1.7)

List of Trade Unions at 31 December 1990

Notes:

Trade unions entered in the list during 1990 are shown in italics.

- *Denotes a trade union holding a certificate of independence at 31 December 1990.
- (P) Denotes a trade union with political fund rules at 31 December 1990.

England and Wales

- *Abbey National Staff Association Airport Fire-Fighters Federation
- *Alliance and Leicester Building Society Staff Association
- *Amalgamated Association of Beamers Twisters and Drawers (Hand and Machine)
- *Amalgamated Engineering Union (P)
- *Amalgamated Society of Textile Workers and Kindred Trades (P)

Amalgamated Tape Sizers Friendly Protection Society

*A. Monk and Company Staff Association

Artists Union

- *Assistant Chief Probation Officers Association
- *Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association
- *Associated Metalworkers Union
- *Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (P) Association for College Management
- *Association of British Dental Surgery Assistants
- *Association of Cambridge University Assistants

Association of Career Teachers

- *Association of Cinematograph Television and Allied Technicians (P)
- *Association of Clinical Biochemists Limited
- *Association of Educational Psychologists
- *Association of First Division Civil Servants

Association of Football League Referees and Linesmen

- *Association of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Taxes (P)
- *Association of Licensed Aircraft Engineers (1981)
- *Association of Local Authority Chief Executives
- *Association of Magisterial Officers
- *Association of National Health Service Officers
- *Association of Optometrists

Association of Plastic Operatives and Engineers

- *Association of Polytechnic and College Teachers
- *Association of Preparatory Workers
- *Association of Principal Fire Officers
- *Association of Principals of Colleges
- *Association of Professional Ambulance Personnel
- *Association of Professional Music Therapists in Great Britain
- *Association of Public Service Finance Officers

Association of Somerset Inseminators

Association of Staff of Probation and Bail Hostels

- *Association of University Teachers
- Association of Vice-Principals of Colleges
- *Audit Commission Staff Association

Australian Mutual Provident Society Staff Association

*Bakers Food and Allied Workers Union (P)

Balfour Beatty Group Staff Association

Balfour House Staff Association

- *Banking Insurance and Finance Union
- *Barclays Group Staff Union

Birmingham Union of Club Stewards

- *Blackburn and District Amalgamated Power Loom Overlookers Association
- *Bradford and Bingley Building Society Staff Association Bradford and District Power Loom Overlookers Society
- *Britannia Building Society Staff Association
- *Britannic Field Staff Association
- *British Actors Equity Association incorporating the Variety Artistes Federation
- *British Aerospace (Dynamics Group) Employees Association
- *British Aircraft Corporation Limited Senior Staff Association
- *British Air Line Pilots Association

British Association of Advisers and Lecturers in Physical Education

- *British Association of Colliery Management
- *British Association of Occupational Therapists Limited
- *British Cement Staffs Association

British Ceramic Research Association Staff Association

- *British Dental Association
- *British Dietetic Association
- *British Federation of Textile Technicians

British Hospital Doctors Federation

- *British Medical Association
- *British Orthoptic Society
- *British Union of Social Work Employees
- *Broadcasting and Entertainment Trades Alliance (P)

Building Trades Union

Burnley and District Tape Sizers Protective Society

*Cabin Crew 89

Cadbury Schweppes Representatives Association

*Card Setting Machine Tenters Society

*Ceramic and Allied Trades Union (P)

*Chartered Society of Physiotherapy

Chemistry Societies Staff Association

*Cheshire Building Society Staff Association

Church and Oswaldtwistle Power-Loom Overlookers Society

*Civil and Public Services Association (P)

Clerical Medical and General Staff Association

Colman Association of Staff

*Colne and District Power Loom Overlookers Association

*Colne and District Textile Warehouse Association

*Commercial Union Group Staff Association

*Communication Managers Association (P)

*Community and Youth Workers Union

*Confederation of Health Service Employees (P)
Construction Industry Training Board Staff Association

*Corporation of London Staff Association Costain Petrocarbon Senior Staff Association

Council of Civil Service Unions

*Derbyshire Building Society Staff Association

Dexion Staff Association

*Diplomatic Service Association Directors Guild of Great Britain

Eagle Star Staff Union (1988)

*Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union (P)
Electrical and Plumbing Industries Union

*Electrical Power Engineers Association

*Engineering and Fasteners Trade Union

*Engineering Craft Association

*Engineering Officers Technical Association

*Engineers and Managers Association English Chiropodists Association

*Federated Union of Managerial and Professional Officers Federation of Professional Organisations (PT 'A' Whitley Council)

*Federation of Professional Railway Staff

*Film Artistes Association

*Fire Brigades Union (P)

Football League Executive Staffs Association

*Foremens Association of the British Aerospace Public Limited Company – Warton Division

*Furniture Timber and Allied Trades Union (P)

Gallaher Sales Staff Association

*Gas Higher Management Association

*General Dental Practitioners Association

General Federation of Trade Unions

*General Union of Associations of Loom Overlookers (P)

Girobank Senior Managers Staff Association

*GMB (P)

Government Communications Staff Federation

Guild of Medical Secretaries

*Guild of Professional Teachers of Dancing

*Guild of Textile Supervisors

*Guinness Brewing Staff Association (UK)

*Guinness (Park Royal) Supervisory Association

Halifax and District Powerloom Overlookers Society

*Halifax Building Society Staff Association

Harrods Staff Union

Headmasters Conference

*Heart of England Building Society Staff Association

Hongkong Bank Group UK Staff Association

*Hospital Consultants and Specialists Association

*Hospital Doctors Association

*Hospital Physicists Association

Huddersfield and Dewsbury Power Loom Overlookers Society

Humberside Port Workers Union

*Hyde and District Loom Overlookers Association

Ideal Field Staff Association

*Immigration Service Union

Independent Union of Owner Operators

*Inland Revenue Staff Federation (P)

*Institution of Professionals Managers and Specialists (P)

*Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (P)

Johnson Matthey Chemicals Royston Staff Society

Johnson Matthey Headquarters Staff Society

Joint Boots Pharmacists Association

Joint Industry Board for the Electrical Contracting Industry

Jones and Shipman Administrative Staff Association

*Lancashire Box Packing Case and General Woodworkers Friendly Relief Sick Superannuation and Burial Society

Leeds and District Power Loom Overlookers Society

Leeds Permanent Building Society Staff Association

Leicestershire Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Association

*Lloyds Group Union

Lloyds Register (UK) Staff Association

- *London Society of Tie Cutters
- *Lufthansa Staff Association United Kingdom

Managerial Staff Association of the Provincial Insurance Group of Companies

- *Manufacturing Science and Finance Union (P)
- *Military and Orchestral Musical Instrument Makers Trade Society
- *Musicians Union (P)
- *National and Local Government Officers Association (P)
- *National and Provincial Building Society Staff Association
- *National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (P)

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Cannock Chase Area

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Durham Area (P)

*National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Midland Area

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirer (Northumberland Area)

*National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers North Western Area

*National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (South Wales Area)

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (Staffordshire Area)

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (Yorkshire Area)

- *National Association of Co-operative Officials
- *National Association of Head Teachers
- *National Association of Inspectors and Educational Advisers
- *National Association of Licensed House Managers
- *National Association of NFU Group Secretaries
- *National Association of Probation Officers

National Association of Professional and Technical Theatre Personnel

*National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers (P)

*National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education (P)

*National Association of Whole-time Hospital Chaplains

*National Communications Union (Engineering and Clerical Groups) (P)

National Federation of Sub-Postmasters

*National Graphical Association (1982) (P)

National Hauliers Association

National House Building Council Staff Association

- *National League of the Blind and Disabled (P)
- *National Owner Drivers Association UK
- *National Society for Education in Art and Design
- *National Union of Civil and Public Servants (P)
- *National Union of Club Stewards
- *National Union of Domestic Appliances and General Operatives (P)
- *National Union of Flint Glass Workers

- *National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers (P)
- *National Union of Insurance Workers (P)
- *National Union of Journalists
- *National Union of Lock and Metal Workers (P)
- *National Union of Marine Aviation and Shipping Transport Officers
- *National Union of Mineworkers (P)
- *National Union of Mineworkers (Cannock Chase and Pelsall District Midland Area) National Union of Mineworkers (Cokemens Area)
- *National Union of Mineworkers (Colliery Officials and Staffs Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Colliery Officials and Staffs Area) (Region No. 2)

National Union of Mineworkers (Colliery Officials and Staffs Area) (Region No. 3)

National Union of Mineworkers (Colliery Officials and Staffs Area) (Region No. 4)

National Union of Mineworkers (Derbyshire Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Durham Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Durham Enginemen Group No. 1 Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Durham Mechanics Group No. 1 Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Lancashire Area)

*National Union of Mineworkers (Leicester Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Midland Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (North Stafford Federation Midland Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Area)

*National Union of Mineworkers (Northumberland Mechanics Group No. 1 Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (North Wales Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (North Western Area) St Helens Craftsmens Branch

*National Union of Mineworkers (Power Group Area)

National Union of Mineworkers (South Wales Area)

- *National Union of Mineworkers (Warwickshire District Midlands Area)
- *National Union of Mineworkers (Yorkshire Area)
- *National Union of Public Employees (P)
- *National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers (P)
- *National Union of Scalemakers (P)
- *National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers (P)
- *National Union of Teachers
- *National Union of the Footwear Leather and Allied Trades (P)
- *Nationwide Anglia Building Society Staff Association
- *NatWest Staff Association
- *Nelson and District Clothlookers and Warehouse Association

New Towns Chief Officers Association

Nielsen Staff Association

- *North-East Coast Tug-Boatmens Association
- *Northern Carpet Trades Union
- *Northern Colliery Officials and Staffs Association
- *Northern Counties Textile Trades Federation

Nottingham and District Federation of Club Stewards

Organisation of CPL Technicians

- *Pattern Weavers Society
- *PMB Staff Association
- *Portman Wessex Staff Association
- *Power Loom Carpet Weavers and Textile Workers Union (P)
- *Prison Governors Association
- *Prison Officers Association
- *Professional Association of Nursery Nurses
- *Professional Association of Teachers

Professional Association of Workers in Education

Professional Flight Instructors Association

Professional Footballers Association

Rank Hotels Staff Association

Rediffusion Simulation Staff Association

- *Retail Book Stationery and Allied Trades Employees Association
- *Retained Firefighters Union (P)
- *Retired Officers Association
- *Rossendale Union of Boot Shoe and Slipper Operatives (P)
- *Rowntree Mackintosh Sales Staff Association
- *Royal College of Midwives
- *Royal College of Nursing of the United Kingdom

RSPB Staff Association

Rumbelows Branch Managers Association

Rumbelows Retail Staff Association (RRSA)

*Secondary Heads Association

Self-Employed and Employed Electricians Association

Sheffield Wool Shear Workers Trade Union

Shipbuilding Engineering and Aerospace Group

- *Skipton and District Power-Loom Overlookers Association
- *Skipton Staff Association

Societe Generale Staff Association

- *Society of Authors Limited
- *Society of Chief Officers of Probation
- *Society of Chiropodists
- *Society of Graphical and Allied Trades 1982 (SOGAT) (P)
- *Society of Radiographers

Society of Registration Officers (Births Deaths and Marriages)

- *Society of Shuttlemakers
- *Society of Telecom Executives (P)
- *Society of Union Employees (NUPE) (P)
- *Space and Communications Stevenage Staff Association
- *Stable Lads Association
- *Staffordshire Building Society Staff Association
- *Star Aluminium Managerial Staff Association

Sun Alliance Staff Union

*Sun Life Staff Association

Sutton Manor Branch of Miners

- *Teston Independent Society of Cricket Ball Makers
- *Thorn EMI Electronics Limited Junior and Middle Management Staff Association
- *Town and Country Building Society Staff Association
- *Transport and General Workers Union (P)
- *Transport Salaried Staffs Association (P)
- *Undeb Cenedlaethol Athrawon Cymru (National Association of Teachers of Wales)
- *Union of Communication Workers (P)
- *Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians (P)
- *Union of Democratic Mineworkers (P)

Union of Dexion Workers

- *Union of Shop Distributive and Allied Workers (P)
- *United Association of Power Loom Overlookers
- *United Friendly Agents Association

United Friendly Head Office Management Association

- *United Road Transport Union
- *West Bromwich Building Society Staff Association Whatman Reeve Angel Staff Association
- *Wire Workers Union
- *Woolwich Independent Staff Association
- *Writers Guild of Great Britain
- *Yorkshire Association of Power Loom Overlookers
- *Yorkshire Building Society Staff Association

Scotland

Association of Head Teachers in Scotland

District Nursing Association UK Dunfermline Building Society Staff Association

*Educational Institute of Scotland (P)

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers (Scottish Area)

Professional Staff Association of Scottish Woodland Owners Association (Commercial) Limited

Scottish Association of Amenity Supervisory Staffs

*Scottish Carpet Workers Union (P)

Scottish Equitable Staff Association

*Scottish Further and Higher Education Association

*Scottish Health Visitors Association

Scottish Joint Industry Board for the Electrical Contracting Industry

*Scottish Prison Officers Association

*Scottish Secondary Teachers Association

*Scottish Union of Power Loom Technicians

Appendix 2

(see paragraph 1.7)

List of Employers' Associations at 31 December 1990

Note: Employers' associations entered in the list during 1990 are shown in italics.

England and Wales

Advertising Film and Videotape Producers Association Art Studios Photographic Laboratories Association Association of British Orchestras Association of Circus Proprietors of Great Britain Association of Indian Banks in the United Kingdom Association of Midland Advertising Agencies Association of Newspaper and Magazine Wholesalers Association of Northern Advertising Agencies Association of Scottish Advertising Agencies

Birmingham Wholesale Fruit Flower and Potato Merchants Association Blackburn District Textile Manufacturers Association Bolton and District Textile Employers Association British Amusement Catering Trades Association British Box and Packaging Association British Brush Manufacturers Association British Ceramic Manufacturers Federation British Clothing Industry Association Limited British Decorators Association British Exhibition Contractors Association British Film and Television Producers Association Limited British Lace Federation British Leavers Lace Manufacturers Association British Lock Manufacturers Association British Paper and Board Industry Federation Limited British Precast Concrete Federation Limited

British Printing Industries Federation British Ready Mixed Concrete Association British Scrap Federation

British Scrap Federation

British Textile By-Products Association Building Employers Confederation Cable Employers Association
Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association
China Clay Association
Cinema Exhibitors Association
Clothing Manufacturers Federation (1987)
Construction Plant-Hire Association
Co-operative Employers Association

Dairy Trade Federation Limited

East Anglian Ship and Boat Building Employers Association
Eastern Representative Provincial Organisation of Local Authority Employers for
Administrative Professional Technical and Clerical Services and Manual
Worker Services

East Midlands Local Authorities Employers Organisation

Electrical Contractors Association

Employers Federation of Textile Finishers

Engineering and Shipbuilding Employers Association – Yorkshire and Humberside Engineering Employers Association of South Lancashire Cheshire and North Wales

Engineering Employers East Anglian Association

Engineering Employers East Midlands Association Engineering Employers Federation

Engineering Employers London Association

Engineering Employers Sheffield Association (South Yorkshire and North Midlands)

Engineering Employers Western Association

Engineering Employers West Midlands Association

Essex and Hertfordshire Representative Provincial Organisation of Local Authority Employers (for Administrative Professional Technical and Clerical Services and Manual Worker Services)

Federation of Bakers
Federation of Brickwork Contractors
Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors
Federation of Dredging Contractors
Federation of Master Builders
Federation of Master Organ Builders

Grimsby Fishing Vessel Owners Association

Heating and Ventilating Contractors Association Hinckley and District Knitting Industry Association Hull Fishing Industry Association

Independent Programme Producers Association Limited

Lancaster Morecambe and South Lakeland Master Plumbers Association
Leather Producers Association
London and South Eastern Furniture Manufacturers Association
London Association of Shore Gang Contractors
London Dress Makers and Allied Contractors Association
London Enclosed Docks Employers Association

Mastic Asphalt Council and Employers Federation Limited Mid-Anglian Engineering Employers Association Motor Agents Association Limited Multiple Food Retailers Employers Association Multiple Shoe Retailers Association Multiwall Sack Manufacturers Employers Association Music Retailers Association Limited

National Association of Farriers Blacksmiths and Agricultural Engineers National Association of Glove Manufacturers

National Association of Master Bakers Confectioners and Caterers

National Association of Plumbing Heating and Mechanical Services Contractors National Association of Shopkeepers of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

National Engineering Construction Employers Association

National Federation of Master Window Cleaners

National Federation of Retail Newsagents

National Fillings Trade Association

National Hairdressers Federation

National Master Tile Fixers Association

National Pharmaceutical Association Limited

National Sawmilling Association

National Trainers Federation

Natural Slate Quarries Association

Newspaper Society

North East Association of Small Mines

North East Lancashire Textile Manufacturers Association

North of England Engineering Employers Association

North West Lancashire Engineering Employers Association

Oil and Chemical Plant Constructors Association

Polytechnics and Colleges Employers Forum Publishers Association

Representative National Organisation of Employers of Local Authority Staff
Representative National Organisation of Employers of New Towns Staff
Representative Northern and North Eastern Provincial Organisation of Employers of
Local Authorities Staff

Showmens Guild of Great Britain
Slag Employers Association
Smithfield Market Tenants Association London
Society of British Printing Ink Manufacturers Limited
South East Employers
South Western Provincial Employers Organisation
Stourbridge Crystal Glass Manufacturers Association

Test and County Cricket Board Thermal Insulation Contractors Association

Vehicle Builders and Repairers Association

Welsh Engineers and Founders Association Wire and Wire Rope Employers Association

Yorkshire and Humberside Local Authorities Employers Organisation Yorkshire Glass Manufacturers Association

Scotland

Association of Jute Spinners and Manufacturers

Clydeside Federation of Community Based Housing Associations

Electrical Contractors Association of Scotland

Flax and Linen Association (GB)

Glasgow and District Retail Fleshers Association

Hawick Knitwear Manufacturers Association Hebridean Spinners Advisory Committee

Malt Distillers Association of Scotland

Scottish and Northern Ireland Plumbing Employers Federation

Scottish Decorators Federation

Scottish Engineering Employers Association

Scottish Glass Association

Scottish Grocery Trade Employers Association

Scottish Lace and Window Furnishing Association

Scottish Newspaper Proprietors Association

Scottish Pharmaceutical Federation

Scottish Woollen Industry

Society of Master Printers of Scotland

Appendix 3

(see paragraph 2.8)

Decisions on Trade Union Independence during 1990

Certificates of independence issued

Cabin Crew 89

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers North Western

National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers Midland Area National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers

Nationwide Anglia Building Society Staff Association

Skipton Staff Association

Certificates of independence refused

None

Certificates cancelled because the union ceased to exist as a result of a merger

Anglia Building Society Staff Association Association of Agricultural Education Staffs Health Visitors Association Institute of Journalists National Association of Fire Officers

National Unilever Managers Association

National Union of Railwaymen

National Union of Seamen

Nationwide Building Society Staff Association

Television and Film Production Employees Association

Certificates cancelled because the union was dissolved

Cadbury Schweppes Senior Managers Association

Appendix 4

Summary of Statistics - Trade Unions, 1989

The annual returns completed by trade unions for the Certification Office require the accounts to be shown in a particular way. The figures used in this Appendix are taken from these annual returns and provide a simple analysis. Copies of individual annual returns are available from the Office. Individual unions publish their own accounts with considerable variations in format. It may be difficult therefore to correlate the figures in the Appendix with those in any published accounts of individual trade unions. The information in the table relates to the position at the end of 1989 and therefore to unions which were in existence at that time.

Notes

- (a) The total membership reported by some trade unions includes a number of special categories (e.g. honorary, retired, unemployed) who are members under the union's rules but who either pay no contribution to union funds or make a nominal payment only.
- (b) The gross assets figures take no account of liabilities. The net worth of unions is indicated in column 10.
- (c) Investment income is shown net of certain items such as outgoings on property held as an investment, but not, for most unions, net of tax paid on that income.
- (d) Total income and total expenditure include receipts, outgoings and all other items which increased or decreased a union's total funds during the year. They are not confined to normal revenue income and expenditure. Tax recoveries and provisions no longer required are therefore included in total income, and tax paid is included in total expenditure.
- (e) The distinction between benefits to members and administration and other expenditure is not always clear cut. Certain types of expenditure – for example, the provisions of legal and other advisory services – can fall under either heading.
- (f) Investment assets are shown at cost.
- (g) This figure has been adjusted from last year's report to take account of later information.
- (h) Total after deducting minus entries shown in table.

Summary of Statistics - Trade Unions, 1989

(see paragraph 3.14)

	No. No. of Co.	Contract Contract	GROSS IN	NCOME		GRO	SS EXPEND	ITURE	TOTAL	FUNDS		GROSS A	ASSETS (b)	
	Number of Members (a)	Erom Members (5)	(S) From Investments	(F) 80 Other Income	(p) Total Income	© Seachts to Members	(3) (2) Administration and (3) (6) (6) other Expenditure	(8) (9) (9) Total Expenditure	© Second of the Year	(50) End of the Year	%0003 (II)	(1) Investments	90008 (33)	70000 70000 Total Assets
Inions with 100,000 members or more:-	1,270,776	52,749	3.851	298	56,898	8,603	52,251	60,855	75,767	71,810	36,301	21,929	17,144	75,374
Transport and General Workers Union SMB Julional and Local Government Officers Association Amalgamated Engineering Union Manufacturing Science and Finance Union	823,176 750,502 741,647 653,000	26,595 45,337 22,859 19,340	2,341 2,909 488 351	8,669 5,375 477 258	37,605 53,621 23,824 19,949	4,256 461 4,879 1,484	28,164 49,310 19,450 21,694	32,420 49,771 24,329 23,178	36,508 55,763 15,300 21,442(g)	41,693 59,613 14,795 18,213	19,927 11,417 8,276 23,784	7,401 35,848 9,855 2,042	20,296 16,747 4,415 7,556	47,624 64,012 22,546 33,382
National Union of Public Employees	604,912	21,348	489	103	21,940	2,924	20,746	23,670	15,276	13,546	9,080	2,431	5,110	16,62
Anion of Shop Distributive and Allied Workers Ilectrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union Loyal College of Nursing of the United Kingdom Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians	375,891 367,411 285,548 258,342	9,994 11,498 7,117 5,855	1,680 1,771 - 300	698 152 - 123	12,372 13,421 7,117 6,278	748 1,504 290 590	11,786 11,373 6,827 6,106	12,534 12,877 7,117 6,696	11,454 17,581(g) - 4,746	11,292 18,124 4,328	3,259 14,763 - 1,900	4,581 4,613 - 2,036	3,614 2,454 3,266 886	11,45 21,83 3,26 4,82
			705	998	9,526	493	10,891	11,384	10,300	8,442	2.310	5,529	3,150	10.98
National Union of Teachers Confederation of Health Service Employees Union of Communication Workers Society of Graphical and Allied Trades 1982 (SOGAT) Banking Insurance and Finance Union	213,482 209,344 202,500 178,382 170,481	7,823 8,375 10,834 12,553 6,046	494 317 1,309 224	252 159 3,578 176	9,121 11,310 17,440 6,446	778 1,136 1,485 73	7,584 10,872 14,289 6,321	8,362 12,008 15,774 6,394	10,223 8,518(g) 18,755 3,928(g)	10,982 7,820 20,421 3,980	5,024 1,494 5,917 2,880	4,734 2,412 7,415 1,380	2,165 3,914 8,447 656	11,92 7,82 21,77 4,91
National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers National Communications Union (Engineering and Clerical Groups) Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association National Graphical Association (1982) Civil and Public Services Association	s 163,646 157,060 135,930 131,647 127,976	4,571 10,660 4,161 13,359 7,059	613 341 237 2,058 355	734 40 212 2,455 388	5,918 11,041 4,610 17,872 7,802	403 1,234 - 2,445 870	4,460 8,353 4,469 10,637 6,723	4,863 9,587 4,469 13,082 7,593	7,777 6,210 1,939 29,419 9,560	8,832 7,664 2,080 34,209 9,769	2,089 1,873 2,045 2,370 7,065	4,016 329 699 22,847 1,410	3,101 5,906 281 9,768 2,308	9,20 8,10 3,02 34,98 10,78
				2.002	11.061	2.117	0.505	10.710	10.455(-)	18.694	5,692	5,706	11,858	23,25
National Union of Mineworkers National Union of Civil and Public Servants National Union of Railwaymen	123,479 115,606 102,676	8,028 8,012 6,720	1,921 474 388	2,002 47 61	11,951 8,533 7,169	3,117 444 2,636	9,595 7,965 7,673	12,712 8,409 10,309	19,455(g) 7,473 26,639	7,597 23,499	2,704 8,628	128 14,109	5,374 2,059	8,20 24,79
Total for above unions with 100,000 members or more Total for 277 other listed unions with less than 100,000 members	8,163,414 1,876,228	330,893 101,315	23,616 15,535	27,255 17,929	381,764 134,779	40,853 9,732	337,539 114,436	378,393 124,168	414,033 170,175	417,403 180,786	178,798 66,305	161,450 90,454	140,475 74,432	480,72 231,19
Total for listed unions Trades Union Congress Total for 18 other unlisted unions which have submitted returns	10,039,642 - 3,964	432,208 8,652 1,754	39,151 499 2,853	45,184 199 8,898	516,543 9,350 13,505	50,585	451,975 10,584 6,104	502,561 10,584 12,625	584,208 4,247 28,692	598,189 3,013 29,572	245,103 2,893 239	251,904 2,136 7,898	214,907 -365 32,656	711,91 4,66 40,79
Total for all unions for 1989 Total for all unions for 1988	10,043,606 10,387,238		42,503 38,620	54,281 54,331	539,398 522,590	57,106 57,765	468,663 442,035	525,770 499,799	617,147 596,865	630,774 619,655	248,235 233,721	261,938 278,616	247,198(h) 229,394	757,37 741,73

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Appendix 5

Summary of Statistics - Employers' Associations, 1989

Appendix 5 provides a simple analysis of the annual returns made by employers' associations to the Certification Office. Copies of individual annual returns are available from the Office. It may be difficult to correlate these figures with those in an association's published accounts. Where an association has functions outside the field of industrial relations the return may relate to its activities as a whole and not merely to its industrial relations functions.

Notes

- (a) The gross assets figures take no account of liabilities. The net worth of employers' associations is indicated in column 6.
- (b) Income from investments includes interest on short term deposits.
- (c) Total income and gross expenditure include receipts, outgoings and all other items which increased or decreased an employers' association's funds during the year. They are not confined to normal revenue income and expenditure. Tax recoveries and provisions no longer required are therefore included in total income, and tax paid is included in total expenditure.
- (d) Investment assets are shown at cost.
- (e) This figure has been adjusted from last year's report to take account of later information.
- (f) Below £500.

Summary of Statistics – Employers' Associations, 1989

(see paragraph 3.25)

Employers' Associations with over £1,000,000 total income:— Engineering Employers Federation Engineering Employers West Midlands Association Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association Engineering Employers London Association Engineering Employers Western Association 1 Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain Vational Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	From Members £000s (1) 1,887 993 113 829 560 2,747 11,869 6,324 - 1,653 1,592	From Investments (b) ±000s (2) 2,952 180 24 136 69 376	Total Income (c) ±000s (3) 5,119 3,257 1,228 1,211 1,205 4,122	GROSS EXPENDITURE (c) £000s (4) 3,068 3,138 1,149 1,325 1,192 3,570	### TOTALF Beginning of the Year	End of the Year £000's (6) 13,973 2,094 317 2,044	Fixed Assets £000s (7) 266 989 261 1,418	GROSS AS Investments (d) £000s (8) 12,135 925 (f)	Other Assets £000s (9) 2,435 1,257 307	Total Assets £000s (10) 14,836 3,171 569	Number of Members (11)
Engineering Employers Federation Engineering Employers West Midlands Association Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association Engineering Employers London Association Engineering Employers Western Association 1 Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	(1) 1,887 993 113 829 560 2,747 11,869 6,324 - 1,653	2,952 180 24 136 69 376 424 5,350	(3) 5,119 3,257 1,228 1,211 1,205 4,122	(4) 3,068 3,138 1,149 1,325 1,192	(5) 11,922 1,975 238 2,158 537	(6) 13,973 2,094 317 2,044	266 989 261	(8) 12,135 925 (f)	(9) 2,435 1,257 307	(10) 14,836 3,171	15 1,038
Engineering Employers West Midlands Association Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association Engineering Employers London Association Ingineering Employers Western Association I Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	993 113 829 560 2,747 11,869 6,324 - 1,653	180 24 136 69 376 424 5,350	3,257 1,228 1,211 1,205 4,122	3,138 1,149 1,325 1,192	1,975 238 2,158 537	2.094 317 2,044	989 261	925 (f)	1,257 307	3,171	1,038
Engineering Employers West Midlands Association Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association Engineering Employers London Association Ingineering Employers Western Association I Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	993 113 829 560 2,747 11,869 6,324 - 1,653	180 24 136 69 376 424 5,350	3,257 1,228 1,211 1,205 4,122	3,138 1,149 1,325 1,192	1,975 238 2,158 537	2.094 317 2,044	989 261	925 (f)	1,257 307	3,171	
Central Lancashire Engineering Employers Association Engineering Employers London Association Engineering Employers Western Association 1 Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	829 560 2,747 11,869 6,324 1,653	136 69 376 424 5,350	1,211 1,205 4,122	1,325 1,192	2,158 537	2,044		(f)		560	0.00
Engineering Employers Western Association 1 Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Fest and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	11,869 6,324 1,653	69 376 424 5,350	1,205 4,122	1,192	537		1.418				227
Other Engineering Employers Associations in Great Britain National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	2,747 11,869 6,324 1,653	376 424 5,350	4,122					284	572	2,274	545
National Farmers Union Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	11,869 6,324 - 1,653	424 5,350		3,570	2,128(e)	550	271	302	126	698	376
Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	1,653	5,350	13,489	POSSESSED DE SOLUTION DE LA CONTRACTION DEL CONTRACTION DE LA CONT	The State of the S	2,680	721	756	2,047	3,524	15,754
Building Employers Confederation Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	1,653	5,350		13,070	10,861	11,279	10,803	1,776	4,255	16,834	109.838
Test and County Cricket Board Electrical Contractors Association	1,653		11,940	11,383	14,440(e)	14,997	12,119	2,288	2,924	17,331	9,249
		113	11,475	11,475	-	_	_	-	1,179	1,179	19
	1,592	1,958	9,012	6,229	8,659(e)	11,442	1,069	19,560	8,785	29,414	2,406
Freight Transport Association	And the second second second	45	8,946	8,686	2,794	3,053	2,986	278	3,068	6,332	13,638
British Printing Industries Federation	2,726	153	4,629	4,636	986	979	752	467	1.547	2,766	2,911
Federation of Master Builders	1,749	148	4,300	2,527	3,119(e)	4,891	4,865	152	907	5,924	21,400
Motor Agents Association Limited	2,775	690	4,226	4,138	1,056	1,144	2,049	_	4,057	6,106	13,754
Chemical Industries Association Limited	3,235	265	4,103	4,102	204	205	74	990	632	1,696	160
Newspaper Society	2,473	236	3,240	3,110	839	969	256	183	1,836	2,276	240
National Federation of Retail Newsagents	2,691	204	3,072	2,780	1,694	1,986	1,898	417	1,267	3,582	31,703
National Pharmaceutical Association Limited	1,317	152	2,312	1,689	567	1,190	1,068	439	1,113	2,620	7,026
Road Haulage Association Limited	1,324	85	2,181	2,004	3,273(e)	3,450	3,619	5	843	4,467	11,381
Heating and Ventilating Contractors Association	1,260	499	2,168	2,143	435	461	125	564	315	1,004	1,277
Federation of Civil Engineering Contractors	1,594	156	2,051	1,973	773	851	156	261	1,008	1,425	358
Electrical Contractors Association of Scotland	301	1,271	1,893	746	243	1,390	1,609	51	93	1,752	518
British Jewellery and Giftwear Federation Limited	256	343	1,543	1,156	751	1,138	509	16	1,229	1,755	1,945
Vehicle Builders and Repairers Association	679	54	1,542	1,529	429(e)	442	214	2	609	825	3,645
Publishers Association	1,176	76	1,539	1,548	122	113	67	-	498	565	198
National Hairdressers Federation	295	42	1,520	1,300	723	943	244	482	394	1,121	8,273
ncorporated National Association of British and Irish Millers Limited	1 1,391	47	1,456	1,475	340	321	38	(f)	699	737	44
British Paper and Board Industry Federation Limited	981	_	1,332	1,371	1,309	1,270	1,555	(f) 3	276	1,834	65
Society of West End Theatre Managers Limited	1,206	42	1,252	1,225	59	86	. 19	77	706	802	78
Glass and Glazing Federation	913	87	1,094	1,006	814	903	740	(f) 500	497	1,238	984
South Western Employers Organisation	881	64	1,024	949	429 328	504 267	258 129	500 206	210 378	969 713	129
National Farmers Union of Scotland	902	62	1,019	1,080	328	267	129	206	3/8	713	13,928
Total for above Employers' Associations	58,692	16,303	118,500	106,772	74,205	85,932	51,147	43,119	46,069	140,339	273,122
Total for 103 other listed Employeres' Associations	10,633	1,499	14,985	14,099	7,330	8,515	3,509	2,487	8,495	14,491	34,277
Total for 158 other unlisted Employers' Associations	10,486	952	15,104	14,398	5,858	6,564	2,895	2,383	8.092	13,371	33,862
Total for all Employers' Associations for 1989	79,811	18,754	148,589	135,269	87,393	101,011 83,390	57,551 51,663	47,989 42,407	62,656 52,619	168,201	341,261 313,744

^{*}Unlisted Employers' Associations

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Appendix 6

(see paragraph 4.3)

Trade Unions Maintaining Members' Superannuation Schemes at 31 December 1990

Note: *Denotes unions maintaining schemes exempted from the need for actuarial examination.

Amalgamated Engineering Union Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen

*Colne and District Textile Warehouse Association

GMB

Manufacturing Science and Finance Union (2 schemes)

National Graphical Association (1982) (5 schemes)

National Union of Flint Glass Workers

National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers

*National Union of Mineworkers

*National Union of Mineworkers (North Stafford Federation Midland Area)

*National Union of Mineworkers (Yorkshire Area)

*National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers (2 schemes, one exempt)

Society of Graphical and Allied Trades 1982 (SOGAT) (2 schemes)

*Transport and General Workers Union

Wire Workers Union

Appendix 7

(see paragraph 5.8)

Mergers Completed in 1990

under the Trade Union (Amalgamations, etc.) Act 1964

Trade Union Amalgamations

Amalgamating Trade Unions	Forming	Amalgamation registered on
Nationwide Building Society Staff Association and Anglia Building Society Staff Association	Nationwide Anglia Building Society Staff Association	1.2.90
National Union of Railwaymen and National Union of Seamen	National Union of Rail Maritime and Transport Workers	10.9.90
National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers and National Union of the Footwear Leather and Allied Trades	National Union of Knitwear Footwear and Apparel Trades	19.12.90 effective on 1.1.91

Trade Union Transfers of Engagements

Engagements transferred from	То	Transfer registered on
Nationally Integrated Caring Employees	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	1.5.90
National Union of Labour Organisers	GMB	22.5.90
Law Societys Legal Aid Staff Association	GMB	12.6.90
North of England Building Society Staff Association	Banking Insurance and Finance Union	27.7.90
Health Visitors Association	Manufacturing Science and Finance Union	22.8.90
National Association of Fire Officers	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	31.8.90

Trade Union Transfers of Engagements cont.

Engagements transferred from	То	Transfer registered on
Prison Service Union	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	31.8.90
Association of Agricultural Education Staffs	National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education	4.9.90
National Unilever Managers Association	Institution of Professionals Managers and Specialists	5.9.90
Institute of Journalists (Trade Union)	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	1.10.90
Television and Film Production Employees Association	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	1.11.90
Haslingden and District Power-Loom Overlookers Society	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	27.12.90
National Association of Power-Loom Overlookers	Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	27.12.90

Appendix 8
Political Funds of Trade Unions, 1989 (see paragraph 6.11)

	Number of Members contributing to the Political Fund (b) (1)	Number of Members exempt from contributing to the Political Fund (b) (2)	POLITICAL FUND (a)			
			Income £ (3)	Expenditure £ (4)	Fund at Beginning of Year £ (5)	Fund at End of Year £ (6)
Amalgamated Engineering Union	397,797	153,850	617,946	658,004	46,238	6,180
Amalgamated Society of Textile Workers and Kindred Trades	2,423	86	2,438	2,707	1,710	1,441 48,389
Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen Association of Agricultural Education Staffs	17,677 1.299	1,007	39,082 1,299	29,082	39,272	48,389 1.299
Association of Agricultural Education Statis Association of Cinematograph Television and Allied Technicians	6,971	23,005	21,466	21,409	334	391
Accordation of the Melants's Lorentz of The	2.261	72	1,580		AREA STATE OF USE	1.580
Association of Her Majesty's Inspectors of Taxes Bakers Food and Allied Workers Union	2,361 31.935	73 2,444	1,580	39.357	20.028	23,468
Broadcasting and Entertainment Trades Alliance	29,390	1.814	47.597	41,003	57,913	64,507
Ceramic and Allied Trades Union	28,723	1,149	71,438	55,543	16,469	32,364
Civil and Public Services Association	-	-	-	_	-4,376	-4,376
Communication Managers Association	18,759	450	25,234	10,141	38,680	53,773
Confederation of Health Service Employees	192,054	17,290	377,984	319,782	59,351	117,553
Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	285,992	38,881	306,083	195,350	63,138	173,871
Educational Institute of Scotland Fire Brigades Union	43,556 34,820	1,134 12,058	46,908 75,500	894 45,228	58,857	46,014 89,129
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Furniture Timber and Allied Trades Union	37,654	5,246	26,539	27,213	9,213	8,539
General Union of Associations of Loom Overlookers GMB	814	271	814 1.915.437	407 1.832.304	250 2,579,053	657 2.662,186
Inland Revenue Staff Federation	707,869 49,065	48,794 2,049	119,053	39,923	164.513	243,643
Institution of Professionals Managers and Specialists	76,852	1,952	34,584	-		34,584
Iron and Steel Trades Confederation	36,671	4,285	78,869	83.913	44.276	39,232
Manufacturing Science and Finance Union	296,560	356,440	496,000	495,000	310,000	311,000
Musicians Union	38,207	2,125	17,814	20,433	32,902	30,283
National and Local Government Officers Association	619,748	54,210	1,624,687	115,434	42.0001	1,509,253
National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers	7,083	367	18,208	18,865	43,838(c)	43,181
National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education	67,513	13,894	81,160	1,500	-	79,660
National Communications Union (Engineering & Clerical Groups) - Engineering Grou		27,132	287,205	262,009	76,542	101,738
National Communications Union (Engineering & Clerical Groups) - Clerical Group	32,977	2,346	57,622	38,284	98,993	118,331
National Graphical Association (1982) National League of the Blind and Disabled	62,446 1,464	46,095 62	207,777 2.687	87,365 2,458	343,650 4,613	464,062 4,842
National League of the Blind and Disabled	1,404	02	2,087	4,438	4,013	4,042

Political Funds of Trade Unions, 1989 cont.

(see paragraph 6.11)

	Number	Number of Members exempt from contributing to the Political Fund (b) (2)	POLITICAL FUND (a)			
	of Members contributing to the Political Fund (b) (1)		Income £ (3)	Expenditure £ (4)	Fund at Beginning of Year £ (5)	Fund at End of Year £ (6)
National Union of Civil and Public Servants National Union of Domestic Appliances and General Operatives National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers National Union of Insurance Workers National Union of Lock and Metal Workers	112,513 2,894 38,544 14,739 4,682	3,093 6 137 2,518 82	141,674 1,005 68,029 22,999 2,079	1,000 75,412 - 50	69,170 71 50,646(c) 1,710	210,844 76 43,263 22,999 3,739
National Union of Mineworkers National Union of Public Employees National Union of Railwaymen National Union of Scalemakers National Union of Seamen	56,126 583,672 100,479 2 14,113	2,735 21,240 2,197 1,115 339	627,988 1,581,303 316,904 21 18,807	1,176,027 1,592,030 292,728 - 22,272	1,936,718(c) 489,785 349,905 244 -11,705	1,388,679 479,058 374,081 265 -15,170
National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers National Union of the Footwear Leather and Allied Trades Power Loom Carpet Weavers and Textile Workers Union Rossendale Union of Boot Shoe and Slipper Operatives Scottish Carpet Workers Union	63,309 27,172 3,144 2,467 776	9,813 837 85 31 120	107,606 37,857 6,575 192 656	83,665 26,241 5,837 414	104,542 13,212 1,759 2,749 -132	128,483 24,828 2,497 2,527 524
Society of Graphical and Allied Trades 1982 (SOGAT) Society of Telecom Executives Society of Union Employees (NUPE) Transport and General Workers Union Transport Salaried Staffs Association	93,825 17,372 170 1,127,359 32,108	61,180 12,589 2 27,973 6,327	190,462 41,387 77 3,594,282 69,286	188,848 8,000 - 2,898,326 64,408	254,044 49,873 1,442 3,587,708 93,166	255,658 83,260 1,519 4,283,664 98,044
Union of Communication Workers Union of Construction Allied Trades and Technicians Union of Democratic Mineworkers Union of Shop Distributive and Allied Workers	192,619 213,881 16,458 346,918	9,881 36,301 2 28,973	315,223 200,000 16,865 562,971	349,435 193,068 508 534,984	265,409 -50,095 361(c) 404,765	231,197 -43,163 16,718 432,752
Total for the 53 unions with political funds for 1989	6,288,627	1,046,086	14,570,056	11,957,744	11,720,804(d)	14,333,116(d)
Total for the 47 unions with political funds for 1988	5,571,919	994,944(c)	12,136,015	9,025,982	874,864(d)	11,894,897(d)
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Notes:

- (a) The information in the table relates to the position at the end of 1989 and therefore to unions which were in existence at that time.
- (b) It should be noted that columns (1) and (2) do not necessarily add up to a union's total membership. This is because, in the case of some trade unions, total membership includes varying categories of special category members (eg. honorary, retired, unemployed) who are members under the union's rules but who are neither required to pay the political levy nor to seek formal exemption.
- (c) This figure has been adjusted from last year's report to take account of later information.
- (d) Total after deducting minus entries shown in the table.

Appendix 9 (see paragraph 7.9)

Refunds of Ballot Costs, 1990

Trade Union	Amount Paid
Abbey National Staff Association	3,124.27
Amalgamated Engineering Union	361,404.19
Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association	34,552.26
Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen	23,857.82
Association of Agricultural Education Staffs	1,329.77
Association of Cinematograph Television and Allied Technicians	41,457.73
Association of Clinical Biochemists Limited	1,260.71
Association of Educational Psychologists	639.10
Association of Polytechnic and College Teachers	1,097.07
Association of Professional Ambulance Personnel	5,784.92
Association of University Teachers	11,883.37
Banking Insurance and Finance Union	85,435.59
Barclays Group Staff Union	38,256.21
British Actors Equity Association	57,069.26
British Air Line Pilots Association	3,453.75
British Association of Colliery Management	7,733.40
British Cement Staffs Association	315.36
British Dental Association	563.13
Broadcasting and Entertainment Trades Alliance	20,613.97
Cabin Crew 89	3,856.29
Ceramic and Allied Trades Union	1,989.29
Chartered Society of Physiotherapy	12,408.43
Civil and Public Services Association	73,855.78
Communication Managers Association	25,763.14
Confederation of Health Service Employees	15,121.44
Educational Institute of Scotland	27,144.73
Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumbing Union	43,131.67
Electrical Power Engineers Association	47,566.18

Film Artistes Association	895.49
GMB	17,409.32
Guild of Professional Teachers of Dancing	155.40
Health Visitors Association	7,037.81
Immigration Service Union	1,790.74
Inland Revenue Staff Federation	48,259.66
Institute of Journalists	1,137.27
Institution of Professionals Managers and Specialists	41,765.81
Lloyds Group Union	9,696.84
Manufacturing Science and Finance Union	71,145.29
Musicians Union	35,165.47
National Association of Colliery Overmen Deputies and Shotfirers	10,585.91
National Association of Fire Officers	1,377.75
National Association of Head Teachers	14,236.73
National Association of Probation Officers	2,728.56
National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers	37,089.58
National Association of Teachers in Further and Higher Education	158,992.51
National Communications Union (Engineering and Clerical Groups)	105,496.87
National Society for Education in Art and Design	352.35
National Unilever Managers Association	1,627.24
National Union of Civil and Public Servants	65,226.98
National Union of Hosiery and Knitwear Workers	30,671.09
National Union of Insurance Workers	8,251.79
National Union of Lock and Metal Workers	1,432.71
National Union of Public Employees	404,124.40
National Union of Seamen	12,466.97
National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers	12,529.00
National Union of Teachers	214,615.07
National Union of the Footwear Leather and Allied Trades	1,540.15
Nationwide Anglia Building Society Staff Association	4,750,70
NatWest Staff Association	33,831.18

	Total	2,636,766.31
United Road Transport Union		5,665.12
Union of Shop Distributive and Allied Workers		16,219.68
Union of Communication Workers		195,780.90
Transport Salaried Staffs Association		16,371.64
Transport and General Workers Union		15,994.42
Society of Chiropodists		6,043.23
Secondary Heads Association		2,747.01
Scottish Prison Officers Association		4,019.83
Royal College of Nursing of the United Kingdom		36,581.49
Rossendale Union of Boot Shoe and Slipper Operatives		1,211.94
Retail Book Stationery and Allied Trades Employees As	sociation	2,309.28
Professional Association of Teachers		12,379.81
Prison Officers Association		11,334.94
Prison Governors Association		549.50
Powerloom Carpet Weavers and Textile Workers Union		2,502.05

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- 4. Guidance for trade unions and employers' associations wishing to establish a political fund
- 5. Annual Reports of the Certification Officer