

**DETERMINATION MADE BY THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER ACTING
JOINTLY UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE NORTHERN IRELAND ACT 1998 AND SUBJECT TO
APPROVAL BY RESOLUTION OF THE ASSEMBLY**

MINISTERIAL OFFICES (NUMBER AND FUNCTIONS) DETERMINATION 2016

Provision having been made by the Departments Act (Northern Ireland) 2016 for dissolving three Northern Ireland departments, we hereby determine, in accordance with section 17 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998:

- (a) that there shall be eight Ministerial offices as set out in column 1 of the Table below; and
- (b) that the holder of each such office shall be in charge of the Northern Ireland Department specified in relation to that office in column 2 of the Table and shall exercise the functions of Minister of that Department.

Column 1	Column 2
Minister of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs	Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs
Minister for Communities	Department for Communities
Minister for the Economy	Department for the Economy
Minister of Education	Department of Education
Minister of Finance	Department of Finance
Minister of Health	Department of Health
Minister for Infrastructure	Department for Infrastructure
Minister of Justice	Department of Justice

This Determination shall come into effect immediately following the commencement of the first meeting of the Assembly elected in 2016 in accordance with section 31(1) of the Northern Ireland Act 1998 and may be cited as the Ministerial Offices (Number and Functions) Determination 2016.

The Ministerial Offices (Numbers and Functions) Determination 2010 is revoked on the coming into effect of this Determination



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First Minister



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DATE: 1 MARCH 2016