BOUNDARY COMMISSION FOR SCOTLAND

REPORT

with respect to the areas comprised in the European constituencies of Mid Scotland and Fife, Lothians, South of Scotland, North East Scotland, Strathclyde East, Strathclyde West and Glasgow.

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Mr D K C Jeffrey-appointed by the Secretary of State for Scotland.

Boundary Commission for Scotland

St Andrew's House Edinburgh EH1 3DE 4 July 1991

TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE IAN LANG MP Her Majesty's Secretary of State for Scotland

- 1. We the Boundary Commission for Scotland, are constituted by the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986. We submit this supplementary report on certain European Parliamentary constituencies in Scotland in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the European Parliamentary Elections Act 1981, the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986 and the European Communities (Amendment) Act 1986. Paragraph 3 of Schedule 2 to the 1978 Act, as amended, requires us to proceed with a review of, and submit a report on, any European Parliamentary Constituency (EPC) which no longer complies with paragraph 9 of Schedule 2 as a result of the making of an Order in Council giving effect to recommendations for the alteration of parliamentary constituencies contained in a report submitted to you by us under section 3(3) of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 1986. Paragraph 9 of Schedule 2 states that each EPC shall consist of 2 or more whole parliamentary constituencies. This report describes the review and contains our recommendations for alterations to 7 of the 8 EPCs in Scotland.
- 2. The present EPCs were created by the European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) Act Order 1984 which came into operation on 11 April 1984. These were amended by the European Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1989 which came into operation on 29 March 1989. Changes have taken place in parliamentary constituencies since then as a result of the Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1990 which came into operation on 20 November 1990.
- 3. The boundaries of the following 7 EPCs in Scotland are affected:

Mid Scotland and Fife Lothians South of Scotland North East Scotland Strathclyde East Strathclyde West Glasgow

The boundaries of Highlands and Islands EPC have not been affected by changes in parliamentary constituencies and accordingly it was not included in our review.

4. Notice of our intention to consider making a report with respect to these 7 EPCs was submitted to you on 7 May 1991 and was published in the Edinburgh Gazette on 10 May 1991. Our recommendations are based on the number of electors on the electoral register on the latter date. We issued our provisional recommendations on 10 May 1991 and, as required by the 1978 Act, we published these in newspapers circulating in the EPCs affected, inviting any persons who wished to do so to make representations within the statutory period of one month. Copies of the recommendations, with illustrative maps, were made available for public inspection in at least one

local authority office or public library in each parliamentary constituency within each EPC affected. The addresses of the premises where the documents could be inspected were included in the press notice. We are grateful to the local authorities and their officers for their co-operation in these arrangements. In addition, copies of the recommendations and maps were sent to the political parties in Scotland, the Members representing the EPCs included in the review and the Members of Parliament for the parliamentary constituencies affected. Copies were deposited in the Library of the House of Commons and the Library of the House of Lords for inspection there.

- 5. In each case our recommendation was that the EPC boundary should be altered to conform with the new parliamentary constituency boundary. The considerations which led to our proposals are set out below. The Parliamentary Constituencies (Scotland) (Miscellaneous Changes) Order 1990 alters parliamentary constituency boundaries with consequential effects on EPC boundaries as follows:
 - 5.1 The alterations to the parliamentary constituency boundary at Muirend Road and Netherlee Road transfer 2 areas extending to about 20 acres from Glasgow Cathcart Burgh Constituency (BC) to Eastwood County Constituency (CC) and an area extending to about 20 acres from Eastwood CC to Glasgow Cathcart CC and affects the boundary between Glasgow EPC and Strathclyde West EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 124 electors from Glasgow EPC to Strathclyde West EPC and 92 electors from Strathclyde West EPC to Glasgow EPC.
 - 5.2 The alterations to the parliamentary constituency boundary at Colston Road and Auchinairn Road transfer an area of about 8 acres from Glasgow Springburn BC to Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC and an area extending to about 43 acres from Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC to Glasgow Springburn BC and affects the boundary between Glasgow EPC and Strathclyde West EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 109 electors from Glasgow EPC to Strathclyde West EPC and 56 electors from Strathclyde West EPC to Glasgow EPC.
 - 5.3 The alteration of the parliamentary constituency boundary at Brothershiels transfers an area extending to about 2,216 acres from Midlothian CC to Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale CC and affects the boundary between Lothians EPC and South of Scotand EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 12 electors from Lothians EPC to South of Scotland EPC.
 - 5.4 The alteration of the parliamentary constituency boundary at Paties Mill near Carlops transfers an area of about 0.35 hectares from Midlothian CC to Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale CC and affects the boundary between Lothians EPC and South of Scotland EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 2 electors from Lothians EPC to South of Scotland EPC.
 - 5.5 The alteration to the parliamentary constituency boundary at Loch Tay transfers an area of about 565 hectares from North Tayside CC to Stirling CC and affects the boundary between North East Scotland EPC and Mid Scotland and Fife EPC. No electors are involved.
 - 5.6 The alteration to the parliamentary constituency boundary at Westeraigs transfers an area extending to about 191 hectares from Motherwell North BC to Linlithgow CC and affects the boundary between Strathclyde East EPC and Lothians EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 145 electors from Strathclyde East EPC to Lothians EPC.
 - 5.7 The alterations to the parliamentary constituency boundary at Whitehill Mains, transfer 3 adjacent areas extending to about 64.2 hectares between East Lothian CC and Midlothian CC and between East Lothian CC and Edinburgh East BC and affects the boundary between Lothians EPC and South of Scotland EPC. The effect of our provisional recommendation is to transfer 6 electors from South of Scotland EPC to Lothians EPC.
 - 6. The numbers of electors affected as a result of proposed changes described in paragraph 5 are summarised in the following table:-

FROM		ТО		
Parliamentary Constituency	EPC	Parliamentary Constituency	EPC	Number of electors affected
Glasgow Cathcart BC	Glasgow	Eastwood CC	Strathclyde West	124
Eastwood CC	Strathelyde West	Glasgow Catheart BC	Glasgow	92
Glasgow Springburn BC	Glasgow	Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC	Strathclyde West	169
Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC	Strathclyde West	Glasgow Springburn CC	Glasgow	56
Midlothian CC	Lothians	Tweeddale. Ettrick and Lauderdale CC	South of Scotland	12
Midlothian CC	Lothians	Tweeddale. Ettrick and Lauderdale CC	South of Scotland	2
North Tayside CC	North East Scotland	Stirling CC	Mid Scotland and Fife	Nil
Motherwell North BC	Strathclyde East	Linlithgow CC	Lothians	145
East Lothian CC	South of Scotland	Midlothian CC	Lothians	6
East Lothian CC	South of Scotland	Edinburgh East BC	Lothians	Nil

7. The effect on the electorates of our provisional recommendations is as follows:-

EPC	Electorate on 10 May 1991	Net change in electorate	Electorate after recommended afteration
Strathclyde West	495,651	+ 85	495,736
Glasgow	471,129	- 85	471,044
Lothians	523.711	+ 137	523.848
South of Scotland	500.857	+ 8	500,865
North East Scotland	564,308	Nil	564,308
Mid Scotland and Fife	539,037	Mit	539.037
Strathelyde East	498,902	- 145	498,757

Representations

8. No representations have been received.

Recommendation

9. We therefore recommend the adoption of our provisional recommendations. The composition of the EPCs we recommend is set out at Appendix A. Maps illustrating the recommended changes are contained in Appendix B.

C. K. DAVIDSON

Deputy Chairman for the Boundary Commission for Scotland

Appendix A

EPC Parliamentary Constituency

Mid Scotland and Fife

Clackmannan CC
Falkirk East CC
Falkirk West CC
Stirling CC
Central Fife CC
Dunfermline East CC
Dunfermline West CC
Kirkcaldy CC
North East Fife CC
Perth and Kinross CC

Lothians

Edinburgh Central BC
Edinburgh East BC
Edinburgh Leith BC
Edinburgh Pentlands BC
Edinburgh South BC
Edinburgh West BC
Linlithgow CC
Livingston CC
Midlothian CC

South of Scotland

Ayr CC

Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley CC

Clydesdale CC

Cunninghame South CC

Dumfries CC

Galloway and Upper Nithsdale CC

East Lothian CC

Roxburgh and Berwickshire CC

Tweeddale, Ettrick and Lauderdale CC

Strathclyde East

Cumbernauld and Kilsyth CC

East Kilbride CC

Glasgow Rutherglen BC

Hamilton BC

Kilmarnock and Loudoun CC

Monklands East BC Monklands West BC Motherwell North BC Motherwell South BC

Strathclyde West

Clydebank and Milngavie CC

Cunninghame North CC Dumbarton CC Eastwood CC

Greenock and Port Glasgow BC

Paisley North BC Paisley South BC Renfrew West and Inverclyde CC Strathkelvin and Bearsden CC

Glasgow Glasgo

Glasgow Cathcart BC Glasgow Central BC Glasgow Garscadden BC Glasgow Govan BC Glasgow Hillhead BC Glasgow Maryhill BC Glasgow Pollok BC Glasgow Provan BC Glasgow Shettleston BC Glasgow Springburn BC

North East Scotland

Aberdeen North BC
Aberdeen South BC
Angus East CC
Banff and Buchan CC
Dundee East BC
Dundee West BC
Gordon CC

Kincardine and Deeside CC

North Tayside CC









