B

ADVERTISING

1. What is the policy of your organisation regarding advertising by your members?

2. (i) Are there any restrictions on advertising imposed:
   (a) by statute, statutory instrument or other similar type regulations and/or
   (b) by your organisation through its constitution, rules, regulations, code of ethics or bye-laws?
   (ii) In particular, are your members:
    (a) totally prohibited from advertising, or
    (b) restricted in the type, form, content, frequency or media etc. of advertising they may engage in?

   If so, please give details.

3. If restrictions are imposed why is this done and what justifications exist in the view of your organisation for imposing them?

4. If a total restriction on advertising is imposed, what steps does your organisation take to inform consumers of the services provided by your members?

5. If such prohibitions or restrictions are imposed, how are they enforced?

6. What penalties attach to breach of the prohibitions or restrictions?

7. What rights of appeal do members who are found to be in breach of the prohibitions or restrictions have?

8. Please give details (number, nature, outcome, etc.) of disciplinary action taken by your organisation against members for breach of the advertising prohibitions/restrictions in each of the last 5 years.

9. If there are no prohibitions or restrictions on advertising, what control, if any, does your organisation exercise in connection with advertising by its members?
C FEES AND CHARGES
1. What is the policy of your organisation regarding the charges made by the members for the provision of their services?
2. (i) Are the level of fees/charges made by your members imposed
   (a) by statute, statutory instrument or other similar type
       regulation and/or
   (b) by your organisation through its constitution, rules, or
       by-laws?
   (ii) In particular, is there a
       (a) fixed or set fee for specified work or
       (b) scale of charges for specified work
       (c) fixed time charge
       and if so, are these maxima or minima?
       Please give details.
3. Please indicate whether any such fees or charges are mandatory, recommended or intended to be used as guidelines only.
4. If such charges are imposed, why is this done and what justifications exist in the view of your organisation for imposing them?
5. If determined directly or indirectly by your organisation, please indicate how the charges are calculated.
6. What arrangements, if any, exist to inform clients or consumers of the charges, and are there any procedures for dealing with complaints from clients arising from fees charged by members of your organisation? Please specify.
7. If the scale is mandatory, how is adherence to it enforced?
8. What penalties attach to non-observance of mandatory scale fees?
9. What right of appeal from the imposition of any such penalty has a member?
10. Please give details (number, nature, outcome etc.) of any disciplinary action taken by your organisation against
    numbers for not adhering to mandatory (or recommended) fees in each of the last 5 years.
11. If the fees are only recommended as guidelines, have you any information as to the level of actual fees charged?

D OTHER MATTERS
1. Have you any information as to how many members of your organisation are practising the profession/occupation
   (a) on their own account
   (b) in partnership
   (c) as employees of a or b
   (d) as directors or employees of firms or companies etc.
   whose primary purpose is not related to the profession/occupation?
   Please give details.
2. Is there any limitation upon the access to members of your profession by members of the public? Please give details.
3. Is there any limitation of the business structure which may be utilised by your members (i.e. sole practice, limited company etc.)?
4. Are there any other practices which tend to restrict competition in the case of your profession, especially competition between members themselves, between members and other persons, or between other persons?
5. If you organisation engages in self-regulation, please describe your disciplinry body, in respect of
   (i) its functions;
   (ii) its powers;
   (iii) its composition (including lay representation); and
   (iv) its right of appeal from its decisions.
6. What machinery exists for dealing with complaints about members of your organisation or profession from clients?
7. To what extent can non-nationals, especially citizens of other EEC Member States, practice your profession in this country?

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