**MODEL INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT ANNEX B**

INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

1. The name of the school is…………………………………………………….
2. The school is a [*insert category*] school*.*

Also [*If applicable*] whether the school has a foundation, and whether the school is a qualifying foundation school.

VA, QF,

VC, F

1. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of…………………….." *[insert the name of the school as set out in paragraph 1. above]*.
2. The governing body shall consist of [[1]](#endnote-1):

a. X parent governors

b. One LA governor  
  
c. One staff governor

d. One headteacher

e. X foundation governors [*at least two (but no more than 45%)*], *or*

F

e. X foundation governors [*must outnumber the other governors by two], or*

VA

e. X foundation governors [*must outnumber the other governors by up to two], or*

QF

e. X foundation governors [*at least two (but no more 1/4)]*

VC

f. [*If applicable*] X co-opted governors

g. [*If applicable*] X partnership governors

1. Total number of governors [………*including additional foundation governors where appropriate*].
2. [Applicable if the term of office of one or more categories of governor is shorter than four years**] The term of office of [*category of governor*] is *[insert period between one and four years*].**

VA, QF,

VC, F

1. Set out the name of any foundation body or person entitled to appoint foundation governors. If this is more than one person set out the basis on which appointments are made.

VA, QF,

VC, F

1. *[where applicable]*
2. the holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex officio:

*[name of office]*

1. The foundation body or person named in paragraph 8 shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named in (a) above, in the event that that ex officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 21(1) of the Regulations.
2. *[Repeat 8(a) and (b) as necessary where there is more than one ex officio foundation governorship].*

VA, QF,

VC, F

VA, QF,

VC, F

1. Set out the name of any person entitled to request the removal of any ex officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute governor.

F, QF

1. *[Where the school has a trust]* the fact that a trust exists.

VA, QF,

VC, F

1. [*If the school has a religious character*] a description of the ethos of the school.
2. This instrument of government comes into effect on [….]
3. This instrument was made by order of ……………………….. Local Authority on ………………………
4. A copy of the instrument must be supplied to every member of the governor body (and the headteacher if not a governor), any trustees and to the appropriate religious body.

**Key:**

VA - Voluntary Aided

VC - Voluntary Controlled

QF - Qualifying foundation

F - Foundation

All other clauses are mandatory for all schools

1. For paragraph 4, the required number of governors by category are provided at Annex A to this guidance [↑](#endnote-ref-1)