

## **W201 The Individual and the State**

### **Questions on the Royal Prerogative**

1. Homer a victim of crime seeks a payment from the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (a prerogative body set up in 1964 but a statutory body since 1988). The Board refuses Homer a statutory payment but purports to make an ex gratia payment (of a much lower sum) under the original prerogative scheme.

Does Homer have a public law remedy?

2. Marge wishes to visit her two sisters in Springfield USA. She applies for a passport but is refused on the ground she has blue hair.

Is there a public law remedy?

3. The government enter a treaty with France handing over the Isle of Wight.

A) The local Council consult you and ask if they can challenge this decision in the courts.

B) Would your advice differ if statute provides that no offshore island may be transferred to another country without a referendum and no referendum has been held?