STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1999 No. 42

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Child Benefit (Residence and Persons Abroad) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999

Made - - - - *2nd February 1999*

Coming into operation *1st March 1999*

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 142(1) and 171(1), (3) and (4) of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992(**1**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Child Benefit (Residence and Persons Abroad) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1999 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1999.

(2) In these Regulations "the principal Regulations" means the Child Benefit (Residence and Persons Abroad) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1976(**2**).

(3) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(**3**) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

Amendment of the principal Regulations

2. Subject to regulation 3 (saving), in regulation 2(2)(*c*) of the principal Regulations (child benefit to remain payable during a child's absence abroad in specified cases)–

(a) in head (i)(**4**) for "eight" there shall be substituted "twelve";

(b) for head (ii) there shall be substituted the following head–

"(ii) is a week, not falling within the period specified in head (i), in which the child's absence is by reason only of his receiving full-time education by attendance at a recognised educational establishment in another State which is a Contracting Party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto

(**1**) 1992 c. 7
(**2**) S.R. 1976 No. 227; relevant amending regulations are S.R. 1984 No. 226
(**3**) 1954 c. 33 (N.I.)
(**4**) Head (i) was amended by regulation 2 of S.R. 1984 No. 226