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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979

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Coming into operation . . .	17*th April* 1979

The Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 126 of the Social Security (Northern Ireland) Act 1975(**a**) and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations:

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979, shall come into operation on 17th April 1979; and in these regulations "the principal regulations" means the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1978(**b**).

Amendment of the principal regulations

2. After regulation 12 of the principal regulations there shall be inserted the following regulation—

"*Modification of Parts II and III of the Act in relation to accidents happening or prescribed diseases contracted outside Northern Ireland*

12A.—(1) In this regulation—

'prescribed area' means an area over which Norway or any Member State (other than the United Kingdom) exercises sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring the seabed and subsoil and exploiting their natural resources, being an area outside the territorial seas of Norway or such Member State;

'prescribed disease' means a disease or injury prescribed for the purposes of Chapter V of Part II of the Act; and

'prescribed employment' means employment in a prescribed area in connection with the exploration of the seabed and subsoil and the exploitation of the natural resources of that area, or prescribed employment as defined in regulation 11 of the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations 1975(**c**) (modification of the Social Security Act 1975(**d**) in relation to the United Kingdom continental shelf).

(2) Where on or after 30th November 1964 a person sustains or has sustained an accident or contracts or has contracted a prescribed disease while he is outside Northern Ireland, for the purposes of Chapter IV or V of Part II of the Act (benefit for industrial injuries and diseases) section 50(5) of the Act or regulation 12 of the Social Security (Industrial

(**a**) 1975 c. 15
(**b**) S.R. 1978 No. 114 (I, p. 344)
(**c**) S.I. 1975/563 (1975 I, p. 2052)
(**d**) 1975 c. 14