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AGRICULTURE

Headage Payments—Sheep

SCHEME, DATED THE 24TH DAY OF MARCH 1973, MADE BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1954 AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957.

WHEREAS by section 1(1) of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(a) the Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance may make schemes whereby for the purpose of assisting the agricultural industry in Northern Ireland the Ministry of Agriculture may make payments to or for the benefit (whether direct or indirect) of farmers producing any produce specified in the Scheme:

AND WHEREAS by sub-section 1(*a*) of section 1 of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(b) it is provided that so long as that section has effect all functions which apart from that Act belong to any Minister of Northern Ireland shall be discharged by the Secretary of State:

NOW, THEREFORE, the Secretary of State in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by section 1 of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 as amended by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1957(c) and by section 1(1) of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972 and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Scheme:—

Short title and commencement

1.—(1) This Scheme may be cited as the Sheep Headage Payments Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1973.

(2) This Scheme shall come into operation on 26th March 1973.

Definitions

2. In this Scheme:—

"certified" means certified under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme;

"approved deadweight certification centre" means any place for the time being approved for the certification of the carcases of livestock under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme;

"approved liveweight certification centre" means any place for the time being approved for the certification of livestock under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme;

"Fatstock Guarantee Scheme" means the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme in operation in Great Britain and Northern Ireland;

"Fatstock Guarantee Scheme Year" means the year as specified under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme for the time being in operation;

"home-bred" means born and entirely produced in Northern Ireland;

"Ministry" means Ministry of Agriculture;

"sheep" means clean fat sheep or carcases of such animals.

(a) 1954. c. 31. (b) 1972. c. 22. (c) 1957. c. 3.