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AGRICULTURE

Marketing of Eggs

SCHEME, DATED 30TH JANUARY 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) as amended by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland) 1957(b) the Ministry of Agriculture may, in accordance with and subject to Schemes made by the Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance, make payments to or for the benefit (whether direct or indirect) of farmers producing any produce specified in the Schemes:

AND WHEREAS by section 1(4) of the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 a Scheme made under the Act may be varied or revoked by a subsequent Scheme made under that Act:

AND WHEREAS by sub-section 1(*a*) of section 1 of the Northern Ireland (Temporary Provisions) Act 1972(c) 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 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.

Citation and commencement

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Marketing of Eggs (Sea Transport Subvention) Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1973 and shall come into operation on the 1st day of February 1973.

Interpretation

2. In this Scheme—

"average cost" means the total sea transport cost of all eggs shipped to Great Britain for the shell egg market divided by the total number of cases shipped;

"case" means a case containing 30 dozen eggs;

"eggs" means eggs in shell of Class A quality laid by hens in Northern Ireland;

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