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AGRICULTURE

Marketing of Eggs

SCHEME, DATED 25TH MARCH 1971, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1 OF THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1954 AS AMENDED BY THE AGRICULTURE (TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE) (AMENDMENT) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND) 1957.

The Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance and in exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland) 1954(**a**) and 1957(**b**) and of all other powers him thereunto enabling 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) 1971 and shall come into operation on the 28th day of March 1971.

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 first quality laid by hens in Northern Ireland.

"egg packer" means the holder of a Class A wholesale dealer's licence issued under the Marketing of Eggs Act (Northern Ireland) 1957(**c**).

the expression "first quality" as applied to eggs has the meaning assigned to it in Rule 20(2)(*a*) of the Marketing of Eggs Rules (Northern Ireland) 1966(**d**).

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture.

"sea transport subvention" means the payment made to an egg packer under Article 3.

Object

3. The Ministry may subject to the provisions of this Scheme pay to an egg packer such sum per case transported by him from Northern Ireland to Great Britain as the Ministry may from time to time determine.

Rate of payment

4.—(1) The amount of the sea transport subvention to be paid to each packer as provided under Article 3 shall be calculated at such rate as the Ministry may determine by reference to the estimated average cost of transporting one case by sea routes approved by the Ministry from Northern Ireland to Great Britain during such period as the Ministry may determine.

(**a**) 1954. c. 31.
(**b**) 1957. c. 3.
(**c**) 1957. c. 27.
(**d**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1966, No. 150.