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AGRICULTURE

Payments of Bonuses for Carcase Quality

SCHEME, DATED 28TH SEPTEMBER 1967, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER 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 Minister of Agriculture with the approval of the Minister of Finance and in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by the Agriculture (Temporary Assistance) Acts (Northern Ireland) 1954 and 1957 and of all other powers him thereunto enabling, hereby makes the following scheme:—

Short Title and Commencement

1. This scheme may be cited as the Carcase Quality Bonus Scheme (Northern Ireland) 1967 and shall come into operation on 2nd October 1967.

Definitions

2. "Carcase" means the carcase of a bovine animal.
"Certified" means certified at a deadweight centre under the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme.
"Fatstock Guarantee Scheme" means the Fatstock Guarantee Scheme in operation in Northern Ireland.
"Graded" means graded by an officer of the Ministry.
"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture.
"Producer" in relation to any carcase means the person in whose name that carcase was presented for certification.

Payments

3. Subject to the provisions of this Scheme the Ministry may make payments to the producers of certified carcases which are within the weight classes, and which have been graded and found to be one of the grades of quality, prescribed in the First Schedule.

Rates of Payment

4. The rates of payment shall be as set out in the Second Schedule.

5. In case of doubt as to the proper certification or grading of a carcase, or as to the proper person to be paid, eligibility for the payment shall be at the discretion of the Ministry.

6. There shall be no contract or obligation on the part of the Ministry to make any payment under this Scheme and all such payments shall be at the Ministry's discretion.

7. If the Ministry, after having made a payment under this Scheme, finds that such payment ought not to have been made in whole or in part or that the payment was in excess of the amount properly payable, it may recover

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

from the person to whom the payment has been made the whole or any part of the sum already paid, or may withhold or cause to be withheld any payment which would otherwise be or become due to that person by the Ministry under this or any other Scheme. The Ministry may also recover from a producer from a payment which might otherwise be made to him under this Scheme any money due by that person to the Ministry or to any other Government department.

Dated the 28th day of September 1967.

J. D. Chichester-Clark,
Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland.

I approve the foregoing Scheme.

Dated the 28th day of September 1967.

H. V. Kirk,
Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland.