EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The object of this Order is to extend to the 1st January, 1965, the date before which plans for the provision of houses and the reconditioning of premises as houses on farms must be submitted to the Ministry of Health and Local Government for approval in order to qualify for grant.

The Order also prescribes the rates of grant payable in respect of new farmhouses, approved workers' houses, and reconditioning works, and prescribes the dates before which work must be completed in order to qualify for the rates of grant specified.

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ANIMALS

Prevention of Cruelty

ORDER, DATED 17TH DECEMBER, 1963, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS UNDER SECTION 1D OF THE PROTECTION OF ANIMALS ACT 1911.

Whereas the Ministry of Home Affairs in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 1D of the Protection of Animals Act 1911(**a**) made an Order entitled the Spring Traps Approval (No. 2) Order (Northern Ireland) 1961(**b**) approving the gin trap for the period of one year from the 1st January, 1962, (hereinafter referred to as the principal Order) for the purpose only of killing or taking foxes, provided that it shall be securely pegged or fastened at the site and the person who sets or causes or procures the trap to be set shall inspect or cause some competent person to inspect the trap at least twice every day, one inspection to take place between 4 a.m. and 10 a.m. and one between 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

And whereas the principal Order was continued for a further period of one year from the 1st January, 1963, by the Spring Traps Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1962(**c**).

And whereas it is expedient to provide for the continuance of the principal Order for a further period of one year.

Now, therefore, the Ministry of Home Affairs, in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 1D of the Protection of Animals Act 1911 and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and after consultation with the Ministry of Agriculture, hereby makes the following Order:

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Spring Traps Approval Order (Northern Ireland) 1963 and shall come into operation on the 1st January, 1964.

(**a**) 1 & 2 Geo. 5. c. 27.
(**b**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1961, No. 235.
(**c**) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1962, No. 234.