4.—(1) The school authorities shall make suitable arrangements for the discharge of a teacher's duties during a period of secondment under these Regulations and may, if necessary, appoint a teacher to perform these duties.

(2) A teacher appointed temporarily to a school or institution under this Regulation shall be so appointed under an approved contract of service and provided he complies with the requirements of the Teachers Compulsory Absence and Special Sick Leave Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1954(a), shall be entitled to the benefits of those Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 10th day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *Leslie Arndell,*
Assistant Secretary.

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 10th day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *K. R. Shimeld,*
Assistant Secretary.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations provide for the secondment of teachers for a period of teaching service not exceeding three years to countries abroad.

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AGRICULTURAL MARKETING

Seed Potatoes

ORDER, DATED 11TH JULY, 1961, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTION 1(3) OF THE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1933(b).

Whereas the Ministry of Agriculture (hereinafter called "the Ministry") in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Agricultural Marketing Acts (Northern Ireland), 1933 to 1955(c), framed a Scheme regulating the marketing of seed potatoes:

And whereas in pursuance of the provisions of the First Schedule to the Agricultural Marketing Act (Northern Ireland), 1933, notice of the framing of

(a) S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1954, No. 46.
(b) 23 & 24 Geo. 5, c. 22 (N.I.).
(c) 1955, c. 22 (N.I.).

the said Scheme and of the period during which objections and representations with respect thereto might be made was published in the *Belfast Gazette* of 5th May, 1961:

And whereas the Ministry, after considering objections and representations duly made with respect to the Scheme as framed, has modified the said Scheme:

Now, therefore, the Ministry in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sub-section (3) of section one of the Agricultural Marketing Act (Northern Ireland), 1933, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. The said Scheme as so modified and as set out in the Schedule is hereby approved.

2. The said Scheme shall come into force on the 17th day of July, 1961.

3. This Order may be cited as the Seed Potato Marketing Scheme (Approval) Order (Northern Ireland), 1961.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this eleventh day of July, nineteen hundred and sixty-one, in the presence of

(L.S.) *W. Howe Elliott,*
Assistant Secretary.

SCHEDULE

Seed Potato Marketing Scheme (Northern Ireland), 1961

PART I

PRELIMINARY

1. This Scheme may be cited as the Seed Potato Marketing Scheme (Northern Ireland), 1961.

2. In this Scheme except where the context otherwise requires the following expressions have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:

"Accounting period" means a year commencing on 1st July and ending on 30th June following;

"Description" in relation to seed potatoes includes a description by reference to the variety, grading or dressing or by reference to the area, district, locality or place of production of such seed potatoes;

"Merchant" means a person who buys seed potatoes or any description thereof for resale, other than by retail, notwithstanding that he may at the same time be a producer or registered producer of seed potatoes;

"Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture for Northern Ireland;

"Ministry" means the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland;

"Prescribed" means prescribed by the Board by resolution;

"Producer" means a producer of seed potatoes;

"Registered" means registered under the Scheme and "registration" shall be construed accordingly;

"Secretary" includes any person, for the time being, authorised by the Board to act as Secretary;

"Seed potatoes" means potatoes produced in Northern Ireland from a crop in respect of which the Ministry has issued a certificate as to the varietal purity and freedom from disease;

"The Acts" means the Agricultural Marketing Acts (Northern Ireland), 1933 to 1955;

"The Board" means the Seed Potato Marketing Board for Northern Ireland constituted by this Scheme;

"The Principal Act" means the Agricultural Marketing Act (Northern Ireland), 1933.

PART II

THE BOARD

3. The Board to administer this Scheme shall be called the Seed Potato Marketing Board for Northern Ireland and shall be a body corporate with a common seal and power to hold land.

4.—(1) Until 30th June, 1962, the Board shall consist of the following persons:—

F. C. Tughan, Esq., 26 Downshire Road, Bangor (Chairman).
D. T. Allen, Esq., Derryloiste, Lurgan.
D. Beattie, Esq., Knockroe, Douglas Bridge, Strabane.
R. A. Brown, Esq., O.B.E., J.P., Moneyhaw, Moneymore.
C. H. Burnett, Esq., M.B.E., 27 Ravenscroft Road, Chiswick Park, London, W.4.
A. Cromie Esq., Millvale, Ballynamagna, Rathfriland.
T. F. Curry, Esq., Lisnagault, Cloyfin, Coleraine.
S. Fleming, Esq., Tullyreagh, Maguiresbridge.
T. Lindsay, Esq., Rathcunningham, Toye P.O., Belfast.
C. Lyle, Esq., Druckendult, Ballymoney.
M. Taylor, Esq., High Street, Draperstown.
S. Todd, Esq., Drumadarragh, Doagh.
V. Wright, Esq., Newbuildings, Cookstown.

(2) Thereafter the Board shall consist of thirteen members of whom three shall be appointed members, that is to say, they shall be appointed and may be removed by the Minister and ten shall be elected members, that is to say, they shall be elected by registered producers in the following manner and according to the following numbers, that is to say:—

(*a*) Six members who shall be known as County members one each of whom shall be elected by registered producers residing in each of the administrative counties of Antrim, Armagh, Down, Fermanagh, Londonderry and Tyrone; and

(*b*) Four members who shall be known as Regional members shall be elected by the general body of registered producers in Northern Ireland.

(3) For the purposes of the election of County members—

(*a*) that portion of the County Borough of Belfast which is to the west

of the River Lagan shall be deemed to be part of the administrative county of Antrim;

(*b*) that portion of the County Borough of Belfast which is to the east of the River Lagan shall be deemed to be part of the administrative county of Down; and

(*c*) the County Borough of Londonderry shall be deemed to be part of the administrative county of Londonderry;

and references in this Scheme to the said administrative counties shall be construed accordingly.

5.—(1) The County members first elected for the administrative counties of Antrim, Armagh and Down shall hold office for two years; the remaining County members and any County members subsequently elected shall hold office for four years. The two Regional members who on the occasion of the first election poll the least number of votes shall hold office for two years; the remaining two Regional members and any Regional members subsequently elected shall hold office for four years.

(2) An election for County members and Regional members shall be held in 1962 and thereafter elections shall be held at such intervals as are appropriate in relation to the terms of office defined in the foregoing sub-paragraph.

(3) Every elected member shall, subject to the provisions of the Scheme, take office on the first day of July following his election and shall hold office until the thirtieth day of June in the year in which the next election for his county or region takes place.

6. An elected member of the Board whose term of office expires or who resigns his office shall be eligible for election or re-election.

7.—(1) An elected member of the Board shall cease to hold office—

(*a*) if he delivers to the Board a written resignation of his office and the resignation is accepted by the Board, or, if not accepted, is not withdrawn within seven days after the meeting at which the resignation was considered; or

(*b*) if he is detained for more than seven days in any place under any enactment in force in any part of the United Kingdom relating to persons of unsound mind; or

(*c*) if he is adjudged bankrupt or enters into a composition with his creditors; or

(*d*) if the Board by resolution declare that he has been absent from six consecutive meetings of the Board without reasonable excuse; or

(*e*) if he is convicted of any offence under sub-section (1) of section sixteen of the Principal Act; or

(*f*) if the Board by resolution declare that he has failed without reasonable excuse to disclose information which he is required by the provisions of paragraph 18(3) to disclose.

Sub-paragraphs (*b*), (*c*) and (*e*) of this paragraph shall apply to appointed members of the Board, and sub-paragraph (*a*) shall apply to those members with the substitution of the Minister for the Board.

(2) A member of the Board shall not be eligible for employment by the Board under a contract of service.

8.—(1) If—

(*a*) a candidate for an administrative county is not nominated in accordance with Part IV the Board shall co-opt a person to represent the said county;

(*b*) an elected member of the Board dies or ceases to hold office under paragraph 7 the Board shall co-opt a person in his place.

(2) Any person so co-opted shall, unless he dies or ceases to hold office as aforesaid, hold office for so long as the person in whose place he is co-opted would have held office.

9. The Board shall elect from among their members a vice-chairman and after the expiration of the period of office of the first chairman to be designated by the Minister, under the Principal Act, a chairman. The chairman and vice-chairman so elected shall, provided they remain members of the Board, hold office for four years and if re-appointed or re-elected to the Board shall be eligible for re-election as chairman and vice-chairman.

10.—(1) The Board shall at all times have power to act notwithstanding any vacancy among their members and may appoint committees out of their own number.

(2) The Board shall appoint an executive committee consisting of not more than eleven of their members who shall include the chairman and vice-chairman of the Board and any members appointed by the Minister not being such chairman or vice-chairman.

(3) The chairman and vice-chairman of the Board shall, ex-officio, be chairman and vice-chairman of the executive committee. The executive committee shall have the full powers of the Board for the administration of this Scheme but shall report their proceedings to and obey any directions of the Board.

11.—(1) The quorum of the Board or of any committee thereof shall be such number as the Board may determine so however that in the case of the Board the quorum shall be not less than five and of any committee not less than three.

(2) In each case the quorum shall include at least one person appointed by the Minister.

(3) Questions arising at any meeting of the Board or of any committee thereof shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the members present, and in the case of an equality of votes at such a meeting the member acting as chairman shall have a second or casting vote. Three members of the Board or the chairman may, and the Secretary on the request of any three members of the Board or of the chairman shall, convene a meeting of the Board.

12. All acts done at any meeting of the Board or of any committee thereof shall, notwithstanding that it is afterwards discovered that there was some defect in the appointment, election or qualification of a person purporting to be a member of the Board or the committee, or that a member of the Board has voted upon any question upon which he was not entitled to vote, be as valid as if that defect had not existed or such member had been entitled to vote.

13. Minutes shall be kept of the proceedings of the Board and of any committee thereof, and any such minutes shall, if signed by a person purporting