1960. No. 96 **[NC]**

ULSTER TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

Abandonment of Railway Lines

AN ORDER FOR ABANDONMENT, DATED 14TH DAY OF JUNE, 1960, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE UNDER SECTION 58 OF THE TRANSPORT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1948(a), AS AMENDED BY SECTION 28 OF THE TRANSPORT ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(b).

Whereas by virtue of an Arrangement dated the Tenth day of December, 1948, made in pursuance of the provisions of Section 65 of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland), 1948, between the British Transport Commission of the one part and the Ulster Transport Authority (hereinafter referred to as "the Authority") of the other part (which said Arrangement was subsequently, in pursuance of sub-section (2) of the said Section, duly confirmed by each House of Parliament) that part of the undertaking of the British Transport Commission situate in Northern Ireland theretofore operated and managed by the Northern Counties Committee established in pursuance of the provisions of Section 25 of the Midland Railway (Belfast and Northern Counties Railway) Purchase Act, 1903, became vested in the Authority;

And Whereas the transport services on the section of railway more particularly described in Article I were wholly terminated before the 1st day of October, 1959, and no such services have since been provided thereon;

And Whereas the Authority have applied to the Ministry of Commerce (hereinafter referred to as "the Ministry") for an Order for Abandonment pursuant to the provisions of Section 58 of the said Act of 1948 as amended by Section 28 of the Transport Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, authorising the abandonment of said section of railway line and the Ministry is satisfied that such application should be granted;

Now therefore the Ministry in exercise of the powers vested in it by Section 58 of the said Act of 1948 as amended by Section 28 of the said Act of 1958 hereby orders as follows:

1. That the Authority are hereby authorised to abandon the existing section of railway line between the following places, that is to say:—

That section of railway line running from Cookstown Junction in the County of Antrim to Kilrea in the County of Londonderry from the junction with the Belfast-Coleraine railway line at Cookstown Junction to a point 15 yards south-east of Bridge No. 361 at Kilrea.

2. That this Order may be cited as "The Transport Act (Abandonment of Railway Lines Counties Antrim and Londonderry) Order, 1960", and shall come into force on the fourteenth day of June, 1960.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Commerce for Northern Ireland this fourteenth day of June, nineteen hundred and sixty.

(L.S.) *John F. Irvine,*
Assistant Secretary.

(a) 1948. c. 16. (b) 1958. c. 15.