1959. No. 198 **[NC]**

DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT

Eradication of Bovine Tuberculosis

ORDER, DATED 22ND DECEMBER, 1959, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE UNDER SECTIONS 3, 13, 18 AND 24 OF THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1958(a).

The Ministry of Agriculture in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Sections three, thirteen, eighteen and twenty-four of the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Tuberculosis (Movement of Cattle) Order (Northern Ireland), 1959, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of January, 1960.

Interpretation

2. In this Order:—

"Act" means the Diseases of Animals Act (Northern Ireland), 1958;

"animal" means bovine animal;

"authorised officer" means a person appointed by the Ministry in writing to be an authorised officer for the purposes of this Order;

"market clearance certificate" means a certificate in the form specified in the First Schedule;

"once tested" means in relation to an animal—

(*a*) that it has been tested in accordance with this Order within the period of fourteen days ending at the time of importation into Northern Ireland or shipment from Northern Ireland; and

(*b*) that it has not reacted to the test;

"tuberculin test certificate" means a certificate in the form specified in the Second Schedule.

Importation of animals from the Republic of Ireland

3.—(1) No untested animals shall be imported into Northern Ireland from the Republic of Ireland.

(2) No once-tested animals shall be imported into Northern Ireland from the Republic of Ireland unless they are accompanied by a valid certificate issued in accordance with the provisions of the Bovine Tuberculosis (14-Day Test) Order (Republic of Ireland), 1958, or any substituted enactment for the time being in force in the Republic of Ireland.

Restriction on Shipment

4. An animal shall not be shipped as once-tested to Great Britain unless:—

(1) it is accompanied by a tuberculin test certificate signed by the veterinary surgeon who made the test or by a market clearance certificate relating to that test signed by an authorised officer; and

(a) 1958. c. 13.