3. This Order may be cited as the Rate of Interest (Housing) (No. 3) Order (Northern Ireland), 1956.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Health and Local Government this nineteenth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six, in the presence of

(L.S.)

John A. Oliver,
Assistant Secretary.

Approved by the Ministry of Finance this nineteenth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

(L.S.)

D. C. B. Holden,
Assistant Secretary.

Housing Subsidy Order

ORDER*, DATED 19TH NOVEMBER, 1956, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER SECTION ONE OF THE HOUSING (No. 2) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

1956. No. 187 [C]

The Ministry of Health and Local Government (in this Order referred to as "the Ministry"), with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Ministry by section one of the Housing (No. 2) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, and of every other power enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

Citation and interpretation

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Housing Subsidy Order (Northern Ireland), 1956.

(2) In this Order, unless the contrary intention appears, the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say:—

"Act of 1945" means the Housing Act (Northern Ireland), 1945;

"Act of 1946" means the Housing and Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act (Northern Ireland), 1946;

"Act of 1956" means the Housing (Miscellaneous Provisions) and Rent Restriction Law (Amendment) Act (Northern Ireland), 1956;

"apartment" and "flat" have the meanings assigned to them by section thirty of the Act of 1945;

* The above Order was confirmed by Resolutions of the Senate and of the House of Commons on the 4th day of December, 1956.

"housing accommodation" includes any house, flat or hostel;

"the Trust" means the Northern Ireland Housing Trust;

"housing association" means a housing association within the meaning of section twelve of the Act of 1946.

(3) For the purpose of determining the amount of the contributions payable under Article 3—

(*a*) a house of fewer than three apartments shall be deemed to be a house of three apartments; and,

(*b*) a house of more than five apartments shall be deemed to be a house of five apartments.

(4) For the purpose of determining the amount of any contributions payable under Articles 3 and 4 the area of each house shall be calculated in accordance with the provisions of the Third Schedule to this Order.

Date of completion of housing accommodation

2. The provisions of Articles 3 and 4 shall apply in respect of each new house completed after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, in pursuance of a housing scheme approved by the Ministry under the provisions of Section one of the Act of 1945.

General contributions payable to and by local authorities

3. Subject to Article 2, where a new house of any of the numbers of apartments specified in the first column of the First Schedule to this Order has been provided by a local authority in pursuance of a contract or part of a contract—

(*a*) which has been designated by the Ministry for the purposes of this Article; and

(*b*) in respect of which the tender has been submitted for approval to the Ministry before the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-six;

then the Ministry shall pay to the local authority in respect of that house sixty successive annual contributions of the amount specified in the third column opposite the appropriate area in the second column of the said Schedule, and the local authority shall pay to the credit of their Housing Revenue Account in respect of that house sixty successive annual contributions of the amount specified in the fourth column of the said Schedule opposite such first-mentioned amount.

4. Subject to Article 2, where a new house of any area specified in the first column of the Second Schedule to this Order has been provided by a local authority in pursuance of a contract or part of a contract—

(*a*) which has been designated by the Ministry for the purposes of this Article; and

(*b*) in respect of which the tender has been submitted for approval to the Ministry whether before or after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-six;

then the Ministry shall pay to the local authority in respect of that house sixty successive annual contributions of the amount specified in the second column opposite the appropriate area in the first column of the said Schedule, and the local authority shall pay to the credit of their Housing Revenue Account in respect of that house sixty successive annual contributions of the amount specified in the third column of the said Schedule opposite such first-mentioned amount.

Special provisions as to hostels

5. Where a hostel for single workers has been completed by a local authority—

(*a*) after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six; and

(*b*) in accordance with a housing scheme which has been approved by the Ministry and in respect of which a tender has been submitted for approval to the Ministry whether before or after the first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-six;

then subject to the local authority complying with such conditions, if any, as the Ministry may impose, each part of the hostel designed for separate occupation by such workers shall for the purposes of this Order be deemed to be a new house in respect of which sixty successive annual contributions are payable to and by a local authority under Sections one and two of the Act of 1945, so, however, that the amount of the annual contribution payable by the Ministry to the local authority in respect of each such part shall be the sum of eighteen pounds, and the amount of the annual contribution payable by the local authority to the credit of their Housing Revenue Account in respect of each such part shall be the sum of six pounds.

Special provisions as to flats

6. Where a building provided by a local authority after the thirty-first day of December, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, for the accommodation of workers in pursuance of a housing scheme approved by the Ministry, is divided into flats, each such flat completed after the said date shall, for the purposes of Articles 3 and 4, be deemed to be a new house in respect of which contributions are respectively payable under the said Articles.

7.—(1) The provisions of this Article shall apply in respect of any flat provided by a local authority and forming part of a block of flats the whole or any part of which is at least three storeys.

(2) Where any contributions are payable in respect of such a flat under the provisions of Article 3, those contributions shall be of the highest amount appropriate to the number of apartments in that flat, irrespective of its area.

(3) In addition to any contributions payable in respect of such a flat under the provisions of Article 4—