4. For Regulation 12 of the existing Regulations there shall be substituted the following :—

" **12.** A school shall be in operation during the school year for at least 200 days (exclusive of Sundays), of which not more than five days may be counted in any one calendar week from Sunday to Saturday, inclusive :

Provided that in exceptional circumstances, the Ministry may sanction a reduction in the minimum of 200 days."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 13th January, 1953, in the presence of

(L.S.) *R. S. Brownell,*
Secretary.

REGULATIONS DATED 30TH MARCH, 1953, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION UNDER THE EDUCATION ACTS (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1947 TO 1952, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE.

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The Ministry of Education (hereinafter referred to as " the Ministry "), in pursuance of the powers vested in it by Sections 104 and 112 of the Education Act (Northern Ireland), 1947, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, and with the approval of the Ministry of Finance, hereby makes the following Regulations :—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Primary Schools (General) (Amending) Regulations (Northern Ireland) (No. 2), 1953.

2. These Regulations shall take effect on 1st April, 1953.

3. The existing Regulations hereby amended are the Primary Schools (General) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949 (**a**), as amended by the Primary Schools (General) (Amending) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1950 (**b**), 1952 (**c**) and 1953 (**d**).

4. As from the date on which these Regulations take effect the following paragraphs shall be added to Part I of the First Schedule to the existing Regulations :—

" (*f*) National Service under the provisions of the National Service Act, 1948, or any amendments of that Act.

(*g*) Full-time teaching service, to such extent as the Ministry may determine, which was given in a school in the British Commonwealth and Empire prior to the

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(**a**) S. R. & O., 1949, No. 100.
(**b**) S. R. & O., 1950, No. 106.
(**c**) S. R. & O., 1952, No. 129.
(**d**) S. R. & O., 1953, No. 10.