2. The existing Regulations hereby amended are the Handicapped Pupils and Special Schools Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948.

3. After Regulation 12 of the existing Regulations there shall be inserted the following Regulation :—

12a.—(1) On each day on which a special school is open in accordance with the requirements of sub-paragraph (*f*) of Regulation 12 the school day shall, unless the Ministry otherwise approves, comprise :

(*a*) at least three hours of secular instruction in the case of a pupil enrolled in a class composed mainly of pupils who, at the commencement of the school year, had not attained the age of 8 years ;

(*b*) at least four hours of secular instruction in the case of a pupil enrolled in any other class.

Provided that, where the Medical Officer considers on medical grounds that it would be detrimental to a pupil to remain under instruction for three or four hours, as the case may be, the school authorities may reduce the period of attendance for such pupil.

(2) In the case of a pupil to whom the provisions of sub-paragraph (*b*) of paragraph (1) of this Regulation applies the school day shall consist of two sessions separated by a period of not less than half-an-hour.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Education for Northern Ireland this 24th day of July, 1952, in the presence of

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

The Ministry of Finance hereby approves of the foregoing Regulations.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Finance for Northern Ireland this 25th day of July, 1952, in the presence of

(L.S.) *Thom McCrea,*
Assistant Secretary.

Intermediate School (Grant Conditions) Amending Regulations, 1952

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