" and any such payment may be made at any time before the end of the fourth contribution year following the contribution year in which the education or apprenticeship terminated ".

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland this 11th day of July, 1949, in the presence of

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William Allen,
Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Labour and National Insurance for Northern Ireland.

REGULATIONS, DATED 10TH AUGUST, 1949, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL INSURANCE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE, UNDER THE NATIONAL INSURANCE ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1946.

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The Ministry of Labour and National Insurance, in conjunction with the Ministry of Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 (1) (*b*) of the National Insurance Act (Northern Ireland), 1946, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following regulations :—

Citation and commencement

1. These regulations, which may be cited as the National Insurance (Contributions) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1949, shall be read as one with the National Insurance (Contributions) Regulations (Northern Ireland), 1948, as amended (hereinafter referred to as " the principal regulations ") and shall come into operation on the 10th August, 1949.

Amendment of regulation 1 *of principal regulations*

2. In paragraph (2) of regulation 1 of the principal regulations the following definition shall be added immediately after the definition of " an employed contributor's employment " :—

" ' due date ' in Part IV of these regulations means, in relation to any contribution under the Act, the date on which that contribution was due to be paid ; "

Provisions to be added to the principal regulations

3. The following provisions shall be added after regulation 20 of the principal regulations :—

" PART IV

PROVISIONS RELATING TO CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH ARE NOT PAID OR WHICH ARE PAID AFTER THE DUE DATE

Treatment for purpose of any benefit of late paid or unpaid contributions, without consent, connivance or negligence of employed person

21.—(1) Where a contribution under the Act payable by an employer on behalf of an insured person is paid after the due date or is not paid, and the delay or failure in making payment thereof is shown to the satisfaction of the Ministry not to have been with the consent or connivance of, or attributable to any negligence on the part of the insured person, the contribution shall, for the purpose of any right to benefit, be treated as paid on the due date.

(2) The following provisions of these regulations shall, in their application to a contribution under the Act payable by an employer on behalf of an insured person, have effect subject to the provisions of the last foregoing paragraph.

Treatment for purpose of unemployment or sickness benefit of late paid contributions

22.—(1) For the purpose of any right to unemployment or sickness benefit, a contribution under the Act paid after the due date shall, in determining whether the relevant contribution conditions are satisfied as respects the number of contributions paid in respect of the period between entry into insurance and the day for which the benefit is claimed, be treated —

(*a*) for the purpose of the right to any such benefit in respect of any day before the date on which payment of the contribution is made — as not paid ; and

(*b*) for the purpose of the right to any such benefit in respect of any other day — as paid on the date on which payment of the contribution is made.

(2) For the purpose aforesaid, in determining whether the relevant contribution conditions are satisfied in whole or in part as respects the number of contributions paid or credited in respect of the last complete contribution year before the beginning of the benefit year which includes the day for which unemployment or sickness benefit is claimed, a contribution under the Act paid after the due date shall be treated —

(*a*) if paid before the beginning of the said benefit year—as paid on the due date ;

(*b*) if paid on or after the beginning of the said benefit year— as not paid in relation to the right to either of the said benefits in respect of any day before the expiry of a period of 42 days (including Sundays) from the date on which payment of