5.—(1) For the purpose of the directions given by this Order, compliance with any such direction by a person to whom land is let in conacre shall be deemed to be compliance therewith by the occupier of the land.

(2) The directions given by this Order shall be without prejudice to the operation of any directions with respect to the cultivation, management or use of land which the Ministry may give, by notice, under paragraph (1) (*b*) of Regulation 62 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939.

6.—This Order shall have effect notwithstanding any covenant, agreement, condition or provision as to the user of a holding, whether contained in any lease or other instrument affecting the holding or in any contract of tenancy or implied by law, and no such covenant, agreement, condition or provision shall operate so as to penalise, impede or interfere with compliance with the directions given by this Order.

7.—This Order shall be cited as the Grass Seeds and Fertilisers (Northern Ireland) General Order, 1941, and shall come into operation on the 1st day of November, 1941.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland this twenty-fifth day of October, nineteen hundred and forty-one, in the presence of

(L.S.) (Signed) *G. S. Robertson*,
Secretary.

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ORDER DATED 1ST OCTOBER, 1941, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION 62 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1941. No. 170.

The Ministry of Agriculture for Northern Ireland (in this Order referred to as " the Ministry "), by virtue and in exercise of the powers delegated to it by the Cultivation of Lands (Northern Ireland) Order, 1939, made on the 9th day of September, 1939, by the Secretary of State under Part IV of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, hereby orders and directs as follows :—

1.—In this Order the following expressions have the meanings hereby assigned to them, that is to say :—

" Arable " means cultivated or capable of being cultivated ;

"Holding" means the land held by an occupier ;

"Land" means agricultural land as defined by the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, and any land to which paragraph (1) of Regulation 62 of those Regulations applies but which is not agricultural land as so defined ;

"Occupier" means the person rated or liable to be rated to the poor rate in respect of the holding, or who would be so rated or liable to be rated but for the provisions of section one of the Local Government (Rating and Finance) Act (Northern Ireland), 1929, and includes, in relation to any holding the occupier of which is absent from Northern Ireland, any agent or other person entrusted with the management of the land on his behalf.

2.—Every occupier of arable land in Northern Ireland shall cultivate and maintain in cultivation for the purpose of producing crops for harvesting in the year 1942 such portion of the arable land comprised in his holding as is specified in that behalf in paragraph 3 of this Order :

Provided that the foregoing directions shall be without prejudice to the operation of any directions with respect to the cultivation, management or use of arable land which the Ministry may give, by notice, under paragraph 1 (*b*) of Regulation 62 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939.

3.—The portion of the arable land comprised in a holding which is to be cultivated and maintained in cultivation in pursuance of the directions contained in paragraph 2 of this Order shall be either—

(*a*) a portion equivalent in extent to two-fifths of the total area of arable land, or

(*b*) a portion of the arable land not less in extent than that cultivated on the holding in the year 1941, excluding any land on which grass, clover or a mixture of grasses and clovers, was produced in that year,

whichever is the greater in extent.

Provided that an occupier shall not be required by virtue of this paragraph to cultivate and maintain in cultivation a portion of the arable land in the holding greater in extent than one-half thereof.

4.—For the purpose of the directions contained in this Order—

(1) the expression "cultivate and maintain in cultivation" means do in sufficient time and in accordance with the proper methods of husbandry all the following things in relation to land, that is to say :—

(*a*) till the land, and

(*b*) sow or plant and produce on such land