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The British Railways Board (Increase of Compensation Limit) Order 1977

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Made - - - - *9th March* 1977
Coming into Operation *24th March* 1977

At the Court of Saint James, the 9th day of March 1977

Present,

The Counsellors of State in Council

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the 3rd day of February 1977, to delegate to the six Counsellors of State therein named or any two or more of them full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas a draft of this Order has, in pursuance of section 3(5) of the Railways Act 1974(**a**), been approved by resolution of the Commons House of Parliament:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Anne, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by section 3(4) of the Railways Act 1974 and all other powers enabling Her Majesty, and by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, do on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the British Railways Board (Increase of Compensation Limit) Order 1977, and shall come into operation 15 days after the date on which it is made.

2. The limit on the compensation payable by the Secretary of State to the British Railways Board in respect of the obligations imposed on that Board by directions for the time being in force under section 3(1) of the Railways Act 1974 shall be increased from £900 million to £1,500 million.

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

(**a**) 1974 c. 48.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order increases from £900 million to £1,500 million the limit on the compensation payable by the Secretary of State under Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1191/69 (on public service obligations in transport) and Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1192/69 (on common rules with respect to the financial status of railway undertakings) to the British Railways Board in respect of obligations with respect to their railway passenger system imposed on that Board by directions of the Secretary of State for the time being in force under section 3(1) of the Railways Act 1974.

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