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CIVIL DEFENCE

The Civil Defence (Shelter) (Maintenance) (Amendment) Regulations 1965

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Coming into Operation 1*st April* 1965

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections 2 and 8 of the Civil Defence Act 1948(a) and section 49(4) of the London Government Act 1963(b), I hereby make the following Regulations, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

1.—(1) For Regulation 3 of the Civil Defence (Shelter) (Maintenance) Regulations 1956(c) there shall be substituted the following Regulation:—

"**3.**—(1) It shall be the function of the Common Council of the City of London and of every London borough council to take such steps as may be practicable to maintain such existing civil defence shelter (not being such shelter as is referred to in the following paragraph) as was used or provided for use as public or residential civil defence shelter.

(2) It shall be the function of the Greater London Council to take such steps as may be practicable to maintain such existing civil defence shelter as was used or provided for use as residential civil defence shelter by occupants of blocks of tenement buildings owned by the Council in Greater London.".

(2) Nothing in section 49(1) of the London Government Act 1963 shall apply to this Regulation.

2. In the Schedule to the said Regulations the word "Luton" shall be omitted.

3. These Regulations may be cited as the Civil Defence (Shelter) (Maintenance) (Amendment) Regulations 1965 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1965.

Frank Soskice,
One of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Home Office,
Whitehall.
31st March 1965.

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5.
(b) 1963 c. 33.
(c) S.I. 1956/469 (1956 I, p. 485).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

The Civil Defence (Shelter) (Maintenance) Regulations 1956 conferred on local authorities functions of maintaining civil defence shelter provided under the Civil Defence Acts 1937 and 1939 for the public at large and for specific persons in or near their homes and were amended, as from 1st April 1965, by section 49(1) of the London Government Act 1963 so as to confer these functions in relation to areas in Greater London on the London borough councils and the Common Council of the City of London. These Regulations further amend the Regulations of 1956 so as to confer on the Greater London Council the function of maintaining such shelter provided for occupants of blocks of tenement buildings owned by that council. The opportunity is taken to omit from the Schedule to the Regulations of 1956 (which lists the county districts having the same functions under the Regulations as county boroughs) the reference to Luton which is now a county borough.