The principal requirement of the Order is that, before the signing of any such agreement, payment shall be made—

(*a*) in the case of an agreement for a definite period of nine months or less, of the whole of the rentals and charges for services payable under that or any related agreement; and

(*b*) in any other case, of the whole of the rentals and charges payable during the first nine months.

Where goods have been hired to a person for a definite period of nine months or less, the Order prohibits any further hiring of those goods to that person, except that where goods have been hired for less than one month the hiring may be extended so long as the total period of hire does not exceed one month.

The Order does not apply to the disposal or possession of goods held under an agreement where the hirer is not to be in possession for more than 12 days in any 28 days.

1956 No. 626

The Control of Hiring (Amendment) Order, 1956

Made - - - -	24*th April*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	26*th April*, 1956
Coming into Operation	27*th April*, 1956

The Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**a**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**b**), and the Supplies and Services (Defence Purposes) Act, 1951(**c**), and continued in force by the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1955(**d**), hereby order as follows:—

1. The Control of Hiring Order, 1956(**e**), shall have effect subject to the following amendments:—

(*a*) for paragraph (2) of Article 8 there shall be substituted the following:—

"(2) In this Order—

"related agreement" means, in relation to any agreement to let any goods on hire, any such other agreement in respect of those goods as is referred to in paragraph 2 (*b*) of Part I, or paragraph 3 (*b*) of Part II, as the case may be, of the Second Schedule hereto;

"rental" includes, in relation to any goods, any payment (howsoever payable) made wholly or partly for the possession or use, or possession and use, of the goods.";

(*b*) in Part I of the Second Schedule there shall be added, as paragraph 1A thereof, the following:—

"1A. The terms of the agreement are such that the total amount of the rentals payable thereunder is ascertainable at the date of the signing of the agreement."; and

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(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945/1618 (1945 II, p. 48).
(**b**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(**c**) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 25
(**d**) S.I. 1955/1810 (1955 II, p. 2491).
(**e**) S.I. 1956/179 (p. 2267 above).

(*c*) in Part II of the Second Schedule there shall be added, as paragraph 2 (*e*) thereof, the following:—

"(*e*) the total amount of the rentals payable under the agreement in respect of each period is ascertainable at the date of the signing of the agreement.".

2. This Order may be cited as the Control of Hiring (Amendment) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the 27th day of April, 1956.

Dated this 24th day of April, 1956.

Derek Walker-Smith,
Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.*)

This Order amends the Control of Hiring Order, 1956. It clarifies the meaning of the word "rental" and provides that all rentals shall be ascertainable at the date of the signing of the agreement.

1956 No. 1269

The Control of Hiring (No. 2) Order, 1956

Made - - - -	15*th August*, 1956
Laid before Parliament	20*th August*, 1956
Coming into Operation	21*st August*, 1956

The Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**a**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**b**), and the Supplies and Services (Defence Purposes) Act, 1951(**c**), and continued in force by the Supplies and Services (Continuance) Order, 1955(**d**), hereby order as follows:—

1. A person shall not dispose of goods to which this Order applies in pursuance of an agreement to let those goods on hire entered into after the 17th day of February, 1956, unless the relevant requirements specified in the Second Schedule hereto are or have been satisfied in relation to that agreement and any related agreement.

2. A person shall not be in possession of any goods to which this Order applies by virtue of an agreement to let those goods on hire entered into after the said date unless—

(*a*) that agreement and any related agreement is in writing;

(**a**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945/1618 (1945 II, p. 48).
(**b**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.
(**c**) 14 & 15 Geo. 6. c. 25.
(**d**) S.I. 1955/1810 (1955 II, p. 2491).