STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1961 No. 90

AGRICULTURE

GUARANTEED PRICES AND ASSURED MARKETS

The Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) (Amendment) Order, 1961

Made - - - -	18*th January*, 1961
Laid before Parliament	23*rd January*, 1961
Coming into Operation	24*th January*, 1961

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with agriculture in Scotland and Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section five and subsection (3) of section thirty-five of the Agriculture Act, 1957(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) (Amendment) Order, 1961; and shall come into operation on the 24th day of January, 1961.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) Order, 1958(c), shall be amended as follows:—

(*a*) by inserting after Article 4 thereof the following Article:—

"4A. No person shall sell, offer or expose for sale or have in possession for sale for hatching or shall use for hatching, or cause or permit to be so used, any hen eggs or duck eggs which have been marked in accordance with the provisions of Article 3 hereof.";

(*b*) by deleting from Article 5 thereof the words "and may require the production of books, accounts and records relating to the purchase and sale of any such eggs";

(*c*) by inserting after Article 5 thereof the following Article:—

"5A. Any authorised officer of the Minister may require any person concerned by way of trade or business in the storage, grading, packing, hatching or sale other than by retail of hen eggs or duck eggs to produce on demand books, accounts and records relating to the purchase and sale of any such eggs".

(a) 5 & 6 Eliz. 2 c. 57. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) S.I. 1958/957 (1958 I, p. 80).

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed this seventeenth day of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *Christopher Soames,*

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland this seventeenth day of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

(L.S.) *John S. Maclay,*

Secretary of State for Scotland.

Given under the hand of the Secretary of State for the Home Department this eighteenth day of January, nineteen hundred and sixty-one.

R. A. Butler,

Secretary of State for the Home Department.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order, which amends the Eggs (Protection of Guarantees) Order, 1958—

(*a*) prohibits the sale for hatching or use for hatching of hen eggs or duck eggs which have been marked with an approved mark in accordance with Article 3 of the principal Order;

(*b*) adds to the records which authorised officers may require to be produced for inspection any records relating to the purchase and sale of hen eggs or duck eggs used for hatching.