STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 1952

AGRICULTURE

HILL LANDS

The Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) (Revocation) Scheme 1975

Made - - - -	*26th November* 1975
Laid before Parliament	*28th November* 1975
Coming into Operation	*1st December* 1975

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 13, 15 and 17 of the Hill Farming Act 1946(**a**), as extended by section 43 of the Agriculture Act 1967(**b**), and of all his other enabling powers, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following scheme:—

Citation, extent and commencement

1. This scheme, which may be cited as the Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) (Revocation) Scheme 1975, shall apply to Northern Ireland and shall come into operation on 1st December 1975.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this scheme, any reference to a term which is defined in the Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) Scheme 1972(**c**) is a reference to that term as so defined.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**d**) applies for the interpretation of this scheme as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament, and as if this scheme and the scheme revoked by it were Acts of Parliament.

Revocation

3.—(1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2) below, the Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) Scheme 1972 is hereby revoked.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-paragraph (1) above, the revocation effected by that sub-paragraph shall not prejudice the making of any subsidy payment in accordance with the scheme revoked in respect of any ewe to which that scheme applied comprised in a qualified flock on a relevant day in any of the years 1972, 1973 and 1974.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 26th November 1975.

L.S.

Frederick Peart,

Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

We approve,
26th November 1975.

J. Dormand,

James A. Dunn,

Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

(**a**) 1946 c. 73.
(**b**) 1967 c. 22.
(**c**) S.I. 1972/1618 (1972 III, p. 4767).
(**d**) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the scheme.)

This scheme revokes the Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) Scheme 1972, which authorized the making of subsidy payments in accordance with the terms of the scheme in respect of ewes comprised in qualified flocks on 4 December in each of the years 1972 to 1976 inclusive. It saves, however, the Minister's authority to make subsidy payments in respect of outstanding claims in relation to the years 1972 to 1974 inclusive. Thereafter those farmers who were eligible for hill sheep subsidy under the 1972 scheme will with very few exceptions be eligible to receive compensatory allowances payable by virtue of Directive No. 75/268/EEC of the Council of the European Economic Communities.

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