1966 No. 462

AGRICULTURE

HILL FARMING

The Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1966

Made - - - -	19*th April* 1966
Laid before Parliament	29*th April* 1966
Coming into Operation	30*th April* 1966

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in pursuance of section 14 (3) of the Hill Farming Act 1946(a), as amended by section 8 of the Livestock Rearing Act 1951(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, with the approval of the Treasury, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Order 1966, and shall come into operation on 30th April 1966.

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(c) applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. Subject to the provisions of the Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) Scheme 1964(d), the amount which may be paid by way of subsidy payment under that Scheme in respect of any ewe or shearling ewe in relation to 1st December in each of the years 1965 and 1966 shall be increased, if the ewe or shearling ewe is comprised in a standard rate flock, to £1 2s. 6d., or if the ewe or shearling ewe is comprised in a reduced rate flock, to 13s. 0d., and the Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) Order 1965(e) shall accordingly have effect as though these amounts were respectively prescribed in relation to each of the said days.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 18th April 1966.

(L.S.)

Frederick Peart,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

We approve,
19th April 1966

William Whitlock,
Joseph Harper,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

(a) 1946 c. 73. For change of title of the Minister see S.I. 1955/554 (1955 I, p. 1200).
(b) 1951 c. 18. (c) 1889 c. 63. (d) S.I. 1964/739 (1964 II, p. 1485).
(e) S.I. 1965/993 (1965 I, p. 2446).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Hill Sheep (Northern Ireland) Scheme 1964 is made under the Hill Farming Act 1946, as extended by the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1963, and sets out the conditions subject to which subsidy payment may be made to persons maintaining sheep of a hardy kind on hill land. The amounts of such payments for the seasons 1965-66 and 1966-67 were fixed by the Hill Sheep Subsidy Payment (Northern Ireland) Order 1965 at £1 1s. 6d. per head in a standard rate flock and 12s. 6d. in a reduced rate flock. This Order increases these rates by 1s. and 6d. respectively. The payments vary according to the method by which the number of sheep in a flock is maintained.