STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1965 No. 758

PENSIONS

The Increase of Pensions (Past Prime Ministers) Regulations 1965

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The Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 17 of the Ministerial Salaries and Members' Pensions Act 1965(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations apply to any pension payable under section 4(2) of the Ministers of the Crown Act 1937(b) to a person who has ceased to hold office as Prime Minister and First Lord of the Treasury before 1st April 1965 and who has not again held that office on or after that date.

2. The Pensions (Increase) Acts 1944 and 1947(c) shall apply to a pension to which these Regulations apply as if it were a pension specified in Schedule 1 to the Pensions (Increase) Act 1944 and as if, for the purposes of section 3(2) of the Pensions (Increase) Act 1947 (which provides that, where the amount of a pension is determined by reference to a rate of emoluments received on or after 1st April 1947, no increase shall be payable), the amount of the pension were determined by reference to a rate of emoluments received before that date.

3. The Pensions (Increase) Act 1952(d) shall apply to a pension to which these Regulations apply as if it were a pension specified in Schedule 1 to that Act and as if, for the purposes of section 1(3) of that Act (which provides that no increase shall be made in the case of a pension beginning after 31st March 1952) and paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to that Act (which prescribes an annual rate of increase of £26 in the case of a pension beginning before 1st April 1948), it were a pension beginning before 1st April 1948.

4. The Pensions (Increase) Act 1956(e) shall apply to a pension to which these Regulations apply as if it were a pension specified in Schedule 1 to that Act and as if, for the purposes of the proviso to section 1(1) of that Act (which provides that, in the case of a pension computed by reference to final emoluments of £1,500 or more, the pension shall not be increased if it began after 31st December 1947) and paragraphs 2 and 3 of Schedule 2 to that Act (which limit the amount of the increase in certain cases), it were a pension so computed which began not later than that date.

(a) 1965 c. 11. (b) 1 Edw. 8 & 1 Geo. 6. c. 38.
(c) 7 & 8 Geo. 6. c. 21; 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 7.
(d) 15 & 16 Geo. 6 & 1 Eliz. 2. c. 45. (e) 4 & 5 Eliz. 2. c. 39.

5. The Pensions (Increase) Act 1959(a) shall apply to a pension to which these Regulations apply as if it were a pension specified in the Schedule to that Act and as if, for the purposes of section 1(1) of that Act (which provides for the increase of any pension which began not later than 1st April 1952 by twelve per cent. of the adjusted rate of the pension), it were a pension which began not later than that date.

6. The Pensions (Increase) Act 1962(b) shall apply to a pension to which these Regulations apply as if it were a pension specified in the Schedule to the Pensions (Increase) Act 1959 and as if, for the purposes of section 1(1) of the Pensions (Increase) Act 1962 (which provides for the increase of any pension which began not later than 1st April 1956 by twelve per cent. of the adjusted rate of the pension) and section 2 of that Act (which provides for an additional annual increase of £20 for pensioners over seventy years of age if the pension began not later than 1st April 1956), it were a pension which began not later than that date.

7. Where any pension is increased by virtue of the foregoing provisions of these Regulations, those provisions shall apply to any instalment of that pension payable in respect of any period beginning on or after 1st April 1965.

8. The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply for the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

9. These Regulations may be cited as the Increase of Pensions (Past Prime Ministers) Regulations 1965, and shall come into operation on 8th April 1965.

Harriet Slater,
J. McCann,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

31st March 1965.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

The Regulations apply the Pensions (Increase) Acts of 1944 and 1947, 1952, 1956, 1959 and 1962 to the pensions of past Prime Ministers who last ceased to hold office before 1st April 1965, subject to modifications which permit the maximum increase to be paid under each Act without regard to the date on which their pensions came into payment.

The increases will take effect as from 1st April 1965 in accordance with section 17(3) of the Ministerial Salaries and Members' Pensions Act 1965.

(a) 7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 50.
(b) 11 & 12 Eliz. 2. c. 2.
(c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.