STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1970 No. 490

RATING AND VALUATION

The Rating (Charitable Institutions) Order 1970

Made - - - -	23*rd March* 1970
Laid before Parliament	31*st March* 1970
Coming into Operation	1*st April* 1970

Whereas section 40(2) of the General Rate Act 1967(**a**) provides that no mandatory relief from rating under section 40(1) shall be given in the case of a hereditament falling within section 40(1)(*a*) for any period during which the hereditament is occupied by an institution specified in Schedule 8 ;

And whereas section 40(3) empowers the Minister of Housing and Local Government by order to amend that Schedule by adding any institution which in his opinion ought to be classified with the institutions mentioned therein or omitting any institution ;

And whereas the said Minister is of the opinion that the Open University and the London Graduate School of Business Studies ought to be classified with the said institutions and that the Welsh College of Advanced Technology ought to be omitted:

Now therefore the Minister of Housing and Local Government, in exercise of his powers under the said section 40(3) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

Title and commencement

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Rating (Charitable Institutions) Order 1970 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1970.

(2) This order shall have effect from 1st April 1969.

Interpretation

2. The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the interpretation of this order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Amendment of Schedule 8 *to General Rate Act* 1967

3. The provisions of Schedule 8 to the General Rate Act 1967 as amended(**c**) shall be further amended—

(*a*) as to paragraph 1, by adding the Open University ; and

(*b*) as to paragraph 5, by adding the London Graduate School of Business Studies and omitting the Welsh College of Advanced Technology.

Given under the official seal of the Minister of Housing and Local Government on 23rd March 1970.

Anthony Greenwood,
Minister of Housing and Local Government.

(**a**) 1967 c. 9. (**b**) 1889 c. 63.
(**c**) There is no amendment which relates expressly to the institutions affected by this order

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order amends the General Rate Act 1967 by (i) adding the Open University and the London Graduate School of Business Studies to the list in Schedule 8 of charities excluded from mandatory relief from rating and (ii) omitting the Welsh College of Advanced Technology (now part of the University of Wales). The Order is given retrospective effect to the beginning of the current rate period under the express powers of section 40(4) of the Act.

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