1988 No. 51

LANDLORD AND TENANT

The Registered Rents (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1988

Made . . . . . 23rd February 1988
Coming into operation . . 7th March 1988

The Department of the Environment, having acted in pursuance of the powers conferred on it by Article 33(1) of the Rent (Northern Ireland) Order 1978(**a**) (hereinafter called "the Order") and having determined that the rents hereinafter mentioned should be increased, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by Article 33(2) of the Order and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby makes the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Registered Rents (Increase) Order (Northern Ireland) 1988 and shall come into operation on 7th March 1988.

Increase of registered rents

2. The rents registered under Part V of the Order for dwelling-houses which are let under regulated tenancies shall be increased by 9·2 per cent.

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Department of the Environment on 23rd February 1988.

(L.S.) *R. E. Aiken*
Assistant Secretary

(**a**) S.I. 1978/1050 (N.I. 20)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order.)

This order increases the rents of regulated tenancies registered with the Department of the Environment by 9·2 per cent from 7th March 1988. Under Article 22(4) of the Rent (Northern Ireland) Order 1978 a notice of increase of rent which gives effect to such increases shall not take effect earlier than four weeks after the commencement of this order, i.e., until 4th April 1988.

Before a landlord may recover an increased rent he must give a tenant at least four weeks' notice of the increase in accordance with Article 22(3)(*b*).