EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations, but is intended to indicate their general purport.)

These Regulations amend the Therapeutic Substances Regulations, 1931, as amended by subsequent regulations, by—

(1) substituting a new definition of "penicillin" for that contained in regulation 4 of the Therapeutic Substances Amendment Regulations, 1946;

(2) substituting new provisions for Part II (B) of the Second Schedule to those regulations (which relates to Diphtheria Prophylactic);

(3) adding penicillin (as re-defined), preparations of human blood, and *dextro*-tubocurarine chloride and kindred substances, to the Schedule to the Therapeutic Substances Act, 1925, (thus rendering them subject to control under that Act), and inserting in those regulations new or modified schedules dealing with the preparation, testing, packing and labelling of the substances so added;

(4) making a number of consequential or minor amendments.

The Streptomycin Regulations, 1948

1948 No. 1735

Made - - - -	*23rd July*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*27th July*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*1st August*, 1948

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The Minister of Health, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Minister of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland, acting jointly, in exercise of their powers under section 2 of the Penicillin Act, 1947(**a**), after consultation with the Medical Research Council, hereby make the following regulations:—

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as the Streptomycin Regulations, 1948, and shall come into operation on the first day of August, 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(**b**), applies to the interpretation of these regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2.—(1) Streptomycin shall be a substance to which the Penicillin Act, 1947, applies.

(2) In this regulation "streptomycin" means any antimicrobial complex organic base or mixture of such bases produced by *Streptomyces griseus* or other living organisms which—

(*a*) yields on hydrolysis by mineral acids the base streptidine (*ms*-2:4:5:6-tetrahydroxy-1:3-diguanidocyclohexane); and

(*b*) yields on hydrolysis by a 4% solution of sodium hydroxide the substance maltol (3-hydroxy-2-methyl-gamma-pyrone);

(**a**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 29. (**b**) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

and includes any salt or derivative, or salt of a derivative, of any such base, any mixture of any of the substances aforesaid, and any substance the chemical and biological properties of which are identical with or similar to those of any of the substances aforesaid but which is not produced by living organisms.

Aneurin Bevan,
Minister of Health.

Arthur Woodburn,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

William Grant,
Minister of Health and Local Government for Northern Ireland.

23rd July, 1948.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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These regulations bring streptomycin within the scope of the Penicillin Act, 1947, which controls the sale and supply of the substances to which it applies.

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The Tobacco Duty (Relief for Pensioners) Regulations, 1948

1948 No. 1830

Made - - - -	31*st July*, 1948
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Coming into Operation	13*th September*, 1948

The Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by section 4 of the Finance Act, 1947, subsection (7) of section 1 of the Finance Act, 1948, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following regulations:— 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 35. 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 49.

1. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Tobacco Duty (Relief for Pensioners) Regulations, 1947(a) (hereinafter called the Principal

(a) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 1658) I, p. 2106.