EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Food) Order, 1950, by substituting (subject to the restriction mentioned in the following paragraph) the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food as the designated Minister in relation to all the functions in respect of which the Minister of Food was designated by the 1950 Order.

Under the 1950 Order the Minister of Food was designated in respect of Great Britain in relation to all the functions specified in the Schedule thereto, including the provision of emergency feeding services. Under the present Order the designation of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is restricted, in relation to the latter function, to the provision in England and Wales of emergency feeding services. The provision of such services in Scotland will by virtue of section 9 (2) of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, become the function of the Secretary of State.

CLERK OF THE CROWN IN CHANCERY

1955 No. 503

The Wafer Great Seal Rules Order, 1955

Made - - - -	31*st March*, 1955
Laid before Parliament	31*st March*, 1955
Coming into Operation	1*st April*, 1955

AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WHITEHALL,

The 31st day of March, 1955

By a Committee of the Lords of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council

Lord Chancellor.
Lord Privy Seal.
Viscount Swinton.

Whereas by the Crown Office Act, 1877(a), a Committee of Her Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, consisting of the Lord Chancellor of Great Britain for the time being, the Lord Privy Seal for the time being, and one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, may by Order make, and when made from time to time revoke, add to, or alter Rules prescribing the documents to which the Wafer Great Seal, as defined in the said Act, is to be attached, and the material on which the said documents are to be prepared:

(a) 40 & 41 Vict. c. 41.

And Whereas the Lords of the said Committee, in pursuance of the said Act, did by Their Order dated the 30th day of August, 1916(a), make Rules directing (amongst other things) that the documents specified in the first column of the Schedule to the said Order should be printed or written on the materials mentioned in the second column, and should be impressed with or have attached to them the Great Seal named in the third column:

And Whereas the Lords of the said Committee, in pursuance of the said Act, did by Their Orders dated the 4th day of January, 1917(a), and the 7th day of October, 1919(a), make certain additions to the documents specified in the said Schedule;

And Whereas it is expedient to make certain further additions to the documents specified in the said Schedules:

Now, therefore, the Lords of the said Committee, in pursuance of the said Act, do hereby order that the following further additions be made to the Schedule to the said Order of the 30th day of August, 1916, that is to say:—

Patent	*Material*	*Seal*
14. Instruments of Accession by Her Majesty to International Treaties.	Loan Paper	Wafer Seal
15. Instruments or Notifications of Acceptance or Approval by Her Majesty of International Treaties.	Loan Paper	Wafer Seal
16. All Full Powers, granted by Her Majesty, other than those documents specified as Patent No. 11 in the said Order of the 4th day of January, 1917 and as Patent No. 13 in the said Order of the 7th day of October, 1919.	Loan Paper	Wafer Seal

This Order may be cited as the Wafer Great Seal Rules Order, 1955, and shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1955.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

The purpose of this Order is to add to the list of documents to which the Wafer Great Seal may be attached. The documents to be added are instruments of accession and certain other instruments by which the United Kingdom may become a party to treaties, and certain types of full powers.

(a) S.R. & O. 1916/673, 1917/22, 1919/1558 (Rev. III, p. 1022: 1916 I, p. 77; 1917, p. 81; 1919 I, p. 85).