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GOVERNOR OF NORTHERN IRELAND

His Excellency the Governor of Northern Ireland has received from His Royal Highness The Prince of Wales a message of thanks in the following terms:

Thank you all for your very kind birthday greetings.

15th November, 1969.

DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY

PRICES AND INCOMES ACT 1966

Beer Prices

DIRECTION UNDER SECTION 5(4) FURTHER EXTENDING
THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH THE NATIONAL BOARD FOR
PRICES AND INCOMES MUST PUBLISH THEIR REPORT

Whereas the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in pursuance of their powers under section 2(1) of the Prices and Incomes Act 1966, referred the abovementioned question to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination and have published the text of the reference in the Gazette on 24 April 1969.

- 2. And whereas by section 5(3) of the Act, but subject to section 5(4), the Board are required to make their report so as to allow publication within three months of the said date;
- 3. And whereas the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity, and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in pursuance of their powers under the said section 5(4), by a direction published in the Gazette on 24 July 1969, extended the said period of three months by three months, and by a direction published in the Gazette on 24 October 1969 further extended the said period of three months by one month;
- 4. Now, therefore the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity, and the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, in pursuance of their powers under the said section 5(4), hereby direct that the said period of three months be further extended by two weeks.

Report by the National Board for Prices and Incomes

PORTLAND CEMENT PRICES

- 1. On 15 August 1969, in pursuance of their powers under Section 2(1) of the Prices and Incomes Act 1966, the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity, and the Minister of Public Building and Works referred to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination a proposal by the Cement Makers' Federation to increase the price of Portland Cement.
- 2. The Board has now made its report entitled "Portland Cement Prices". In accordance with Section 5(1) of the Prices and Incomes Act 1966, the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity and the Minister of Public Building and Works hereby give notice that the report was first published as Command Paper Number 4215 on 12 November 1969.

Reference to the National Board for Prices and Incomes

COAL PRICES

- I. In their Report No. 124 on Coal Prices, the National Board for Prices and Incomes advised that the National Coal Board might need increases in revenue beyond the £15 million then under review. The National Coal Board have now consulted the Minister of Technology about a price increase of about 10 per cent which it is estimated would increase their revenues by about £65 million in the next full year.
- 2. In pursuance of their powers under Section 2(1) of the Prices and Incomes Act 1966, the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity and the Minister of Technology hereby refer the proposal to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination against the background of the Government's policies for the nationalised industries.

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