

- (d) whether any action or omission on the part of that person or those persons is attributable to the existence of the monopoly situation and, if so, what action or omission and in what way it is so attributable; and
- (e) whether any facts found by the Commission in pursuance of their investigations under the preceding provisions of this paragraph operate, or may be expected to operate, against the public interest.

For the purpose of this reference 'tampon' means any product designed to be worn internally for menstrual sanitary protection.

The Commission shall report on this reference within a period of eighteen months from the date hereof. 8th March, 1979.

Gordon Barrie,

Director General of Fair Trading.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd February, 1979, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland made the following Order under Section 1 of the Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees, etc.) Act (Northern Ireland) 1955 as modified by Section 40 of, and Paragraph 4 of Schedule 5 to, the Northern Ireland Constitution Act 1973, Article 47 of the Births and Deaths Registration (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 and Article 15 of the Financial Provisions (Northern Ireland) Order 1976.

Births, Deaths and Marriages (Fees) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979. (S.R. 1979 No. 48).

This Order prescribes increases in fees payable under the Acts relating to the registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages and associated matters.

The Order comes into operation on 1st April, 1979, and copies of it may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, Chichester House, Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4PS.

REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION OF 9½ PER CENT ULSTER DEVELOPMENT BONDS

The Department of Finance gives Notice that 9½ per cent Ulster Development Bonds purchased in the period 3rd June, 1974, to 1st August, 1974 (both dates inclusive), will be repayable upon application by the holders at the rate of £103.00 for each £100.00 of Bonds on the maturity date viz 1st August, 1979, unless the holders accept an offer of conversion into 9½ per cent Ulster Development Bonds (Second Conversion Issue), which security has been created by an Order dated 20th October, 1978, made by the Department of Finance under Section 11(1) of the Exchequer and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1950(b). Interest on 9½ per cent Ulster Development Bonds will not be paid in respect of periods after the maturity date.

Holders of Bonds concerned will be invited to exchange their holdings, in whole or in part, in multiples of £5 into 9½ per cent Ulster Development Bonds (Second Conversion Issue) on 1st August, 1979, at the rate of £5 of such Bonds for each £5 of Bonds tendered for exchange.

Holders of maturing Bonds who decide not to accept the conversion offer should apply for repayment. No interest will be payable on the Bonds after they mature on 1st August, 1979, and they can only be repaid upon application by the holders.

The full conversion terms will be set out in a Prospectus and Notice will be sent to holders, or in the case of joint holdings to the first named holder, on 1st April, 1979, together with a form of request for conversion and a form of application for repayment for use if holders do not wish to convert. Holders should signify their intentions by completing the appropriate form and returning it with

the Bond Book(s) to the Department of Finance, Ulster Development Bonds Branch, Crown Buildings, Coleraine, Co. Londonderry BT52 2AH.

Any holder who does not receive these forms with the prospectus and Notice, within a reasonable time after 1st April, 1979, should report the fact to the Department of Finance.

Holders who accept an offer of conversion will receive on 1st August, 1979, the final interest payment on the matured Bonds for the period 1st February, 1979, to 31st July, 1979, together with the maturity premium on the Bonds exchanged.

The list of acceptances of the conversion offer will be closed on 1st May, 1979.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Notice is hereby given that the Department of Health and Social Services in exercise of the powers conferred on it by sections 30 & 31 of the Misuse of Drugs Act as adapted by section 38 of the Act and now vested in it by the Departments (Transfer of Functions) Order (Northern Ireland) 1973, S.R. & O. (N.I.) 1973, No. 504 (II p.2992) has made regulations entitled:

The Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1979 (Statutory Rule (Northern Ireland) 1979 No. 57)).

These regulations which become effective from 1st April, 1979, prescribe a new scale of fees for licences to produce, supply and be in possession of controlled drugs.

Copies of the regulations may be obtained from HMSO, Chichester House, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4PS, or from booksellers.

SOCIAL SECURITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) ACT 1975

Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of powers conferred by Article 1(3) of the Social Security Pensions (Northern Ireland) Order 1975, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf, the Department of Health and Social Services for Northern Ireland has made regulations entitled the Social Security Pensions (1975 Order) (Commencement No. 13) Order (Northern Ireland) 1979. (S.R. 1979 No. 54 (C.2))

Copies of the regulations may be purchased at an early date from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

THE IMPORTED FOOD (NORTHERN IRELAND) REGULATIONS 1968

France: Official Certificate

The Department of Health and Social Services with the approval of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State for Wales gives notice that in exercise of the powers conferred on it by the Imported Food (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1968 as amended by the Imported Food (Northern Ireland) (Amendment) Regulations 1973 it hereby restricts recognition of the Official Certificate reproduced in the schedule to the Notice published in the Belfast Gazette dated 3rd November, 1978, for the importation of poultry meat from France to the extent shown in the schedule hereto.

The Notice published in the Belfast Gazette dated 3rd November, 1978, is hereby revoked.