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SECRETARY OF COMMISSIONS FOR SCOTLAND

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THE QUEEN has been pleased by Warrant bearing the date 3rd October 1996 to direct the issue of a Commission under the Great Seal appointed to be kept and made use of in place of the Great Seal of Scotland appointing The Right Honourable James Hector Northey Gray, The Lord Gray of Contin PC, to be Lord-Lieutenant for the Area of Inverness.

31st October 1996

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FOOD

SCOTTISH OFFICE AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENT AND
FISHERIES DEPARTMENT

WELSH OFFICE AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT

THE Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries & Food, the Secretary of State for Scotland and the Secretary of State for Wales, acting jointly, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 1, 8(1), 15(4), 72, 87(2) and (5) and 88(2) and (4) of the Animal Health Act 1981(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:

S.I. 1996 No. 2628

This Order may be cited as the Specified Diseases (Notification) Order 1996 and shall come into force on 21st October 1996.

This Order replaces the Specified Diseases (Notification) Order 1991, as amended - "the 1991 Order". It extends the definition of "disease" in the Animal Health Act 1981 so as to comprise the diseases set out in Part I of Schedule 1 to the Order; sheep pox, which is in Part II of that Schedule, is already a disease for the purposes of that Act by virtue of section 88(1) of that Act (article 3(1)(b)).

The Order requires notification to be given of an occurrence or suspected occurrence of a disease specified in Schedule 1 to the Order to the Divisional Veterinary Manager, an inspector or a constable (articles 3 & 5).

Viral Haemorrhagic Disease, affecting rabbits, was a specified disease requiring notification under the 1991 Order. This Order omits that disease from the list of specified diseases.

Article 4 provides for the notification of spongiform encephalopathy in certain cases. A breach of articles 3 or 4 of the Order is an offence under the Animal Health Act 1981 (article 6).

The Order is enforced by the local authority (article 7).

The 1991 Order and amendments to it, are revoked to the extent set out in Schedule 2 to the Order (article 8).

A Cost Compliance Assessment in relation to this Order has been placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament and copies can be obtained from the Animal Health (Disease Control) Division of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, Government Buildings, Hook Rise South, Tolworth, Surbiton, Surrey KT6 7NF.

Copies of the above mentioned Order may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office, P.O. Box 7923, London SE1 5ZH or 71 Lothian Road, Edinburgh EH3 9AZ. Price £1.10.

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