STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

1996 No. 563

The Bovine Products (Despatch to Other Member States) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1996

Interpretation

2.—(1) The Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954(1) shall apply to these Regulations as it applies to a Measure of the Northern Ireland Assembly.

(2) In these Regulations—

"bovine animal" means a bull, cow, steer, heifer or calf;

"the Department" means the Department of Agriculture;

"establishment" means any place used for the production of relevant goods;

"inspector" means a person appointed as such by the Department and any veterinary surgeon appointed under Regulation 3(1)(b) or any veterinary inspector;

"member State" means any member State of the European Communities other than the United Kingdom;

"relevant goods" means-

- (a) meat for human consumption;
- (b) any meat product for human consumption;
- (c) any meat preparation for human consumption; or
- (d) food for domestic carnivores,

obtained from a bovine animal which was not slaughtered in the United Kingdom;

"third country" means any state which is not a member of the European Communities;

"vertebral column" means the whole or any part thereof; and

"veterinary inspector" has the same meaning as in the Diseases of Animals (Northern Ireland) Order 1981(2).

(3) In these Regulations, "approved" in relation to an establishment means-

- (a) approved by the Department under and in accordance with regulation 3(2); or
- (b) approved by any Minister of the Crown under and in accordance with regulation 3(2) of the Bovine Products (Despatch to Other Member States) Regulations 1996(3).

(4) In regulation 3(1)(b), the reference to a veterinary surgeon appointed by the Department includes, in relation to the production of relevant goods in Great Britain, a reference to any veterinary surgeon appointed by a Minister of the Crown under regulation 3(1)(b) of the Bovine Products (Despatch to Other Member States) Regulations 1996.

(3), 24(1) and Schedule

^{(1) 1954} c. 33 (N.I.)

⁽²⁾ S.I.1981/1115 (N.I. 22) as amended by S.I. 1984/702 (N.I. 2)Art. 17 and S.I. 1994/1891 (N.I. 6) Arts. 19, 22, 23(1), (2) and

⁽**3**) S.I. 1996/2265

(5) Any reference in these Regulations to an instrument of the European Communities is a reference to that instrument as amended at the date of coming into operation of these Regulations.