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## POST OFFICE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TELEX SERVICE

The Post Office hereby gives notice that it is now possible to make telex calls without the assistance of a telex exchange operator from the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man to Australia.

The charges on and from 16th December 1969 for telex calls made from the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man to Australia are shown below. These charges have been fixed by the Post Office in accordance with regulation 2(2) of the Telex Regulations 1965 (in force as a scheme under the Post Office Act 1969) and may be revised at any time by the Post Office.

Calls obtained with the assistance of an Operator £3 for the first 3 minutes (or part thereof); and £1 for each subsequent minute (or part thereof).

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### DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND PRODUCTIVITY

PRICES AND INCOMES ACT 1966

Reference to the National Board for Prices and Incomes

BREAD PRICES AND PAY IN THE BAKING INDUSTRY

The major plant bakers recently made proposals for immediate increases of 2d on the retail prices of all large loaves and 1d on all small loaves. The bakers' proposals were intended to cover increases in labour and other costs and to improve their financial position, having regard to their existing return on capital and their ability to finance their investment requirements. The Government have agreed to an increase of 1d on all loaves, but consider that the bakers' proposal for a further 1d on large loaves raises questions which call for examination by the National Board for Prices and Incomes. The Government also consider that an examination should be made by the Board of the pay and other terms and conditions of employment of workers employed in the baking industry.

The bakers have also proposed new arrangements for reviewing bread prices in future and the Government consider that these, too, should be examined by the Board.

Accordingly, 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 Agriculture, Fisheries and Food hereby refer to the National Board for Prices and Incomes for examination and report the questions of bread prices, with special regard to the industry's return on capital in relation to its investment requirements; the proposed arrangements for reviewing bread prices in future; and pay and other terms and conditions of employment of workers employed in the baking industry.

#### COMMISSION ON INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Reference of a Matter to the Commission on Industrial Relations concerning the Shipbuilding and Shiprepairing Industry

Having regard to the developments that have taken place since the report of the Shipbuilding Inquiry Committee (1965/1966), the First Secretary of State and Secretary of State for Employment and Productivity refers to the Commission on Industrial Relations for examination the functioning and development of institutions and procedures for the conduct of industrial relations between employers and their representatives on the one hand and employees and their representatives on the other at undertakings wholly or mainly engaged by way of business in shipbuilding and shiprepairing, and in examining these matters the Commission is to take account of the benefits to industrial relations arising from the agreement on National Procedure for the Avoidance of Disputes (1967) between the Shipbuilders and Repairers National Association and the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions and the agreement on the National Demarcation Procedure (1969) between the Shipbuilders and Repairers National Association and the trade unions affiliated to the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, and is to assist in promoting any further improvements in such institutions, procedures and relations that appear necessary; and to report.

Dated this 8th day of January, 1970.

E. A. Ferguson, Assistant Under Secretary of State Department of Employment and Productivity.