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APPOINTMENTS, LIEUTENANCY

The Duke of Westminster, Lord-Lieutenant for the County of Fermanagh, has been pleased to appoint the undernoted as Deputy Lieutenants for the County, his Commission bearing date the 7th day of March 1978.

1. Mr. Roland Rennie Alistair Eadie, A.R.I.C.S., The Limes, Lisbellaw, County Fermanagh.
2. Mr. John Edward Claude Fawcett, Derrygore, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh.
3. Lord Claud Anthony Hamilton, Florencecourt, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh.
4. Mr. Charles Patrick Benjamin Plunket, A.R.I.C.S., Killyreags, Tamlaght, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh.

M. W. Winslow.

NORTHERN IRELAND OFFICE

Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of State, in pursuance of Section 146 of the County Courts Act (Northern Ireland) 1959, on the recommendation of the County Court Rules Committee, and after consultation with the Lord Chief Justice, has made a Statutory Rule entitled the County Court (Costs) (Amendment) Rules (Northern Ireland) 1978 (S.R. No. 56).

The Rules, which come into operation on 1st April 1978, amend the scale for the plaintiff's costs on default and summary civil bills and undefended actions in the County Court prescribed in Appendix ZK of the County Court Rules (Northern Ireland) 1976 No. 374.

Copies of the Rules may be purchased from the Government Bookshop, 80 Chichester Street, Belfast BT1 4JY.

12 JULY 1978—BANK HOLIDAY

The Rt. Hon. Roy Mason, Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971, has signed an Order appointing Wednesday 12th July 1978 a Bank and a Public Holiday in Northern Ireland.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

REDEMPTION AND CONVERSION OF 8½% ULSTER DEVELOPMENT BONDS (FIRST CONVERSION ISSUE)

The Department of Finance gives notice that 8½% Ulster Development Bonds (First Conversion Issue) dated 1st July 1973 and 1st August 1973 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 1978, unless the holders accept an offer of conversion into 8½% Ulster Development Bonds (Second Conversion Issue) which security has been created by an order dated 15th June 1976 made by the Department of Finance under Section 11 of the Exchequer and Financial Provisions Act (Northern Ireland) 1950. Interest on 8½% Ulster Development Bonds (First Conversion Issue) 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 £5.00 into 8½% Ulster Development Bonds (Second Conversion Issue) on 1st August 1978 at the rate of £5.00 of such Bonds for each £5.00 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 1978 and they can only be repaid upon application by the holders.

The full conversion terms will be set out in a Prospectus and Notice which will be sent to holders, or in the case of joint holdings to the first named holder, on 1st April 1978, 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 Certificate(s) to the Department of Finance, Crown Buildings, Coleraine, County Londonderry, BT52 2AH.

Any holder who does not receive these forms, with the Prospectus and Notice, within a reasonable time after 1st April 1978 should report the fact to the Department of Finance.

Holders who accept an offer of conversion will receive on 1st August 1978 the final interest payment on the matured Bonds for the period 1st February 1978 to 31st July 1978, together with the maturity premium on the Bonds exchanged.

The list of acceptances of the conversion offer will be closed on 1st May 1978.