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TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1918.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 27th day of April 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majest in Council.

**W**HEREAS it is enacted by Section 1 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty to appoint a Minister of National Service under the title of Director-General of National Service, and that the Director-General of National Service (hereinafter referred to as the Director-General) shall have such powers and duties of any Government Department or authority, whether conferred by statute or otherwise, as His Majesty may by Order in Council transfer to him or authorise him to exercise or perform concurrently with or in consultation with the Government Department or authority concerned :

And whereas by virtue of Section 14 of the New Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, as applied by sub-section (2) of Section 2 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, where any powers or duties are transferred by virtue of the said last-mentioned Act the transfer is to take effect as from a date to be fixed by Order of His Majesty in Council, and different dates may be fixed for different powers and duties :

And whereas by the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, the powers and duties mentioned in the Schedule thereto were transferred to the Director-General as from the first day of November 1917, subject to the provision contained in the said Order enabling the Director-

General by order from time to time to postpone the operation of the said Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, either generally or as respects any particular area in the United Kingdom, or as respects the transfer of any particular power or duty to a date or dates not later than the first day of May 1918 :

And whereas by orders of the Director-General, dated respectively the 31st October 1917, the 20th December 1917, and the 20th February 1918, the operation of the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, has been from time to time postponed as respects Ireland until the first day of May 1918, but save as aforesaid the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, came into operation on the 1st November 1917 :

And whereas it is expedient further to postpone the operation of the said Order as respects Ireland :

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the said recited Acts and of other powers enabling Him in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1. Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 6 of the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, the Director-General may by order appoint a date later than the first day of May 1918, as the date on which the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, shall come into operation either as respects Ireland or as respects any particular area in Ireland, and either generally or as respects any particular power or duty transferred