SCOTTISH STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Agricultural Subsidies (Appeals) (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2001

Amendment of the ESA Orders

- **4.**—(1) Each of the ESA Orders shall be amended as follows.
- (2) Article 5(b) shall be omitted.
- (3) There shall be inserted after article 5C-
 - "5D.—(1) Where the Scottish Ministers consider that there has been a breach of any of the requirements referred to in articles 4 or 4A, they may make a decision to that effect.
 - (2) Before making a decision under paragraph (1) above, the Scottish Ministers shall-
 - (a) give the crofter, farmer or common grazing committee (as the case may be) a written explanation of the reasons for considering that there has been a breach of any of the requirements referred to in articles 4 or 4A;
 - (b) afford that person an opportunity of making representations in that regard within such time and in such form as they think fit; and
 - (c) consider any such representations.".