STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 1738

The Social Security and Statutory Sick Pay (Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982) (Consequential) Regulations 1982

Amendment of the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations 1975

2. Regulation 11 of the Social Security Benefit (Persons Abroad) Regulations 1975 shall be amended as follows:—

(a) in paragraph (1):—

(i) for the definition of "prescribed employment", there shall be substituted the following definition:—

"prescribed employment' means any employment (whether under a contract of service or not) in any designated area or prescribed area, being employment in connection with any activity mentioned in section 23(2) of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982 in any designated area or in any prescribed area";

(ii) at the end there shall be added the following definition:---

"'prescribed area' means any area over which Norway or any member State (other than the United Kingdom) exercises sovereign rights for the purpose of exploring the seabed and subsoil and exploiting their natural resources, being an area outside the territorial seas of Norway or such member State, or any other area which is from time to time specified under section 22(5) of the Oil and Gas (Enterprise) Act 1982.";

- (b) at the end of paragraph (2) there shall be added the words "in a designated area";
- (c) after paragraph (2), there shall be inserted the following paragraphs:—

"(2A) Subject to paragraph (2B) where benefit under Part II of the Act would be payable to a person were that person in Great Britain, that person shall not be disqualified for receiving such benefit by reason only of the fact that he is, in connection with prescribed employment:—

- (a) in a prescribed area; or
- (b) travelling between one prescribed area and another; or
- (c) travelling between a designated area and a prescribed area; or
- (d) travelling between Norway or a member State (including the United Kingdom) and a prescribed area.".

"(2B) Paragraph (2A) shall not apply where, under the legislation administered by Norway or any member State (other than the United Kingdom) benefit is payable in respect of a person for the same contingency and for the same period for which benefit is claimed under the Act.".