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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1997 No. 2752 (C.103)**

**RATING AND VALUATION**

**The Local Government and Rating Act  
1997 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1997**

*Made - - - - 18th November 1997*

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 34(1) and (4) of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997(1) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 (Commencement No. 2) Order 1997.

**Commencement of rural settlement provisions in England and Wales**

2.—(1) Section 1 of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997 (which introduces Schedule 1) shall come into force on the day following the making of this Order.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) above, no rural settlement list shall have effect for a financial year before that beginning on 1st April 1998.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State

*Hilary Armstrong*  
Minister of State,  
Department of the Environment, Transport and  
the Regions

18th November 1997

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order brings into force certain provisions of the Local Government and Rating Act 1997. Section 1 and Schedule 1, which provide for mandatory and discretionary relief from non-domestic rates for certain hereditaments in rural settlements in England and Wales, are brought into force on 19th November 1997 so that the relief will become available in the financial year beginning on 1st April 1998.

## NOTE AS TO EARLIER COMMENCEMENT ORDERS

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

S.I.1997/1097 (c. 40) provided for the commencement of the undernoted provisions on the dates mentioned:

<i>Provision</i>	<i>Date of commencement</i>
section 2	1st April 1997
Part III	19th May 1997
section 33(1)	(in part) 1st April 1997
	(in part) 19th May 1997
Schedule 3	paragraph 1 19th May 1997
	paragraph 2 1st April 1997
	paragraphs 11 to 16 19th May 1997
	paragraph 22 (in part) 1st April 1997
	paragraph 23 1st April 1997
Schedule 4	(in part) 19th May 1997