



# Northern Ireland Land Act 1925

## 1925 CHAPTER 34

### PART II

#### AUTOMATIC SALE OF TENANTED LAND

#### 16 Mineral rights

- (1) Any rights to or in relation to mines or minerals on or under a holding which on a sale by agreement under the Land Purchase Acts would be reserved to the Commission pursuant to section thirteen of the Act of 1903, shall, subject to section ninety-nine of the said Act, and save as hereinafter provided, vest in the Commission on the vesting of the holding in them by virtue of this Part of this Act, and shall be reserved to the Commission on the resale of the holding without the necessity of any express reservation.
- (2) If, on an application made by the owner within the prescribed time and in the prescribed manner, the Commission is satisfied that any such rights possess a substantial value, whether actual or potential, and that although they are not being exercised at the time of the application there is a reasonable prospect of mines or minerals to which they relate being worked or developed within twenty years thereafter, they may make an order directing that all or any of the rights as therein specified shall to the extent therein mentioned be excepted on the vesting of the holding in the Commission and they shall be so excepted accordingly, and shall not be affected by such vesting. If the Commission refuse to make an order under this section an appeal shall lie to the Court of Appeal in Northern Ireland, whose decision shall be final.
- (3) Subsection (4) of section thirteen of the Act of 1903 shall apply as respects any rights excepted under this section in like manner as it applies as respects rights reserved under that section.