1980 No. 4

PRICES

The Butter and Concentrated Butter Prices (Amendment) Order 1980

Made 7th January 1980 Laid before Parliament 7th January 1980 Coming into Operation 28th January 1980

The Secretary of State, after consulting in accordance with subsection (6) of section 2 of the Prices Act 1974(a) with the organisations therein referred to, in exercise of his powers under subsections (1), (4) and (8) of that section and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:-

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Butter and Concentrated Butter Prices (Amendment) Order 1980 and shall come into operation on 28th January 1980.
 - (2) The Butter Prices (Amendment) Order 1979(b) is hereby revoked.
 - 2. The Butter Prices Order 1978(c) is hereby further varied—
 - (a) in article 1, in the definition of "price", by the substitution for the words "8 oz. or 250 g, weight" the words "250 g weight, except that in the definition of "special offer price" in article 4(2) and in article 4(3) it means the price per 8 oz. or 250 g, weight";
 - (b) in article 3(b), by the substitution for the words "Regulations (EEC) No. 880/77" of the words "Regulation (EEC) No. 1269/79"(d);
 - (c) in article 4(3), by the substitution for sub-paragraph (b) of the following sub-paragraph:-
 - "(b) a price ascertained under this paragraph means a price which does not exceed the price specified in column 2 of the following Table:-

			
Column 1 Category of butter	Column 2 Price in Pence per 8 oz. weight		
New Zealand butter Any other variety of butter (other than blended)	$26\frac{1}{2}$		
of any origin Blended butter of any variety and of any origin	$\begin{array}{c} 28\frac{1}{2} \\ 27\frac{1}{2} \end{array} \qquad ";$		

⁽a) 1974 c.24; section 2 was amended by the Prices Act 1975 (c.32) section 2.
(b) S.I. 1979/34. (c) S.I. 1978/97, varied by S.I. 1979/34.
(d) O.J. No. L 161, 29.6.1979, p.8.

- (d) by the substitution for article 5 of the following article:—
 - "5.—(1) A person shall not sell butter packed for retail sale in a rectangular pack (other than a pack the length and breadth of which are equal and the thickness of which is less than the length) of a weight of not less than 250 g or of not more than 500 g at a price which exceeds the price specified in paragraph (2) below.
 - (2) The price referred to in paragraph (1) above is the lower of the following prices, that is to say—
 - (a) the price given by article 4 above, and
 - (b) the price specified in column 2 of the following Table in relation to the category within which butter of the variety in question falls:—

Column 1 Category of butter	Column 2 Price in Pence per 250 g weight		
New Zealand butter Any other variety of butter (other than blended)	49		
of any origin Blended butter of any variety and of any origin	52 50	";	
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3. The Concentrated Butter Prices Order 1978(a) is hereby varied by the substitution for the Table set out in article 2 of the following Table:—

Column 1	Column 2
Net Weight	Price in Pence
50 g	9
125 g	20
250 g	39½

Sally Oppenheim, Minister of State, Department of Trade.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order varies the Butter Prices Order 1978 (as varied) and the Concentrated Butter Prices Order 1978. The principal changes are that—

- (i) the maximum retail prices of butter sold in certain rectangular packs of specified weights and of concentrated butter sold in packs of specified weights are increased, and
- (ii) those prices apply only in relation to metric units of weight.