## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1997 No. 1974

## The Housing Benefit (General) Amendment (No. 2) Regulations 1997

## Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations

2.--(1) In sub-paragraph (f) of paragraph 1 of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations-

- (a) in head (ii) after the words "the terms of this head" there shall be added the words "or head (iii) below";
- (b) at the end of head (ii) there shall be added the following-

"or

(iii) are provided to a claimant in supported accommodation by his landlord in person or someone on his behalf, and payment of the charges in respect of those services is a condition on which the claimant's right to occupy the accommodation depends;".

(2) In paragraph 7 of Schedule 1 to the principal Regulations there shall be added at the end the following definition–

""supported accommodation" means accommodation which was either occupied or available for occupation on 18th August 1997 and which was at that date and continues to be-

- (a) a resettlement place provided by persons to whom the Secretary of State has given assistance by way of grant pursuant to section 30 of the Jobseekers Act 1995(1) (grants for resettlement places); and for this purpose "resettlement place" shall have the same meaning as it has in that section;
- (b) accommodation provided by a housing authority, non-metropolitan county council in England within the meaning of section 1 of the Local Government Act 1972(2), registered social landlord, a charity, or voluntary organisation, or in Scotland a registered housing association or a recognised body, where care, support or supervision is provided by, or on behalf of, that body to the occupants of that accommodation; and for this purpose–

"registered social landlord" has the same meaning as in Part I of the Housing Act 1996(**3**);

"charity" means a charity which is registered under section 3 of the Charities Act 1993(4) and is not an exempt charity within the meaning of that Act;

"recognised body" has the same meaning as under section 1(7) of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990(5); or

(c) accommodation which is occupied by a person who falls under sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph 1 of regulation 10 of the Housing Benefit (General) Amendment Regulations

<sup>(1) 1995</sup> c. 18.

<sup>(</sup>**2**) 1972 c. 71.

<sup>(</sup>**3**) 1996 c. 52.

<sup>(</sup>**4**) 1993 c. 10.

<sup>(5) 1990</sup> c. 40.

1995(6), where care, support or supervision is provided by, or on behalf of, the landlord to the occupants of that accommodation;

and for these purposes accommodation which would fall under any one of paragraphs (a) to (c) above but for the fact that it was not available for occupation on 18th August 1997 solely by reason of temporary closure due to refurbishment, cleansing, or pest control shall be treated as available for occupation on that date.".