Now, therefore, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. In Part I of the Schedule to the Order of 1949, as amended by the Order of 1951, the words "The temporary accommodation and maintenance of persons who, owing to hostile action or a threat of hostile action, are made homeless or leave their homes, or are refugees or persons repatriated from abroad, until they can return to their homes or can be billeted or otherwise rehoused" shall be omitted, and in Part II of that Schedule, after the words "persons repatriated from abroad" there shall be inserted the words "and the temporary accommodation and maintenance of such persons until they can return to their homes or can be billeted or otherwise rehoused".

2.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Housing and Local Government) Order, 1956.

(2) This Order shall come into operation on the first day of July, nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

(3) This Order shall not apply to Scotland.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order transfers to the Minister of Housing and Local Government certain functions of the Minister of Health under the Civil Defence Act, 1948, relating to the temporary accommodation and maintenance of persons who, owing to hostile action or threat of hostile action, are made homeless or leave their homes, or are refugees or persons repatriated from abroad.

1956 No. 419

The Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation) (Amendment) Order, 1956

Made - - - - 22*nd March*, 1956
Coming into Operation 1*st April*, 1956

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of March, 1956

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by subsection (2) of section nine of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(**a**), (hereinafter called "the Act of 1948"), it is enacted that the expression "the designated Minister" in that Act means such Minister as may be designated by Order in Council and that different Ministers may be designated for different purposes or different provisions of the Act:

And Whereas by the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Transport) Order, 1952(**b**), (hereinafter called "the Order of 1952"), the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation was designated Minister for the purposes of the Act of 1948 in relation to the matters set out in the Schedule to the Order of 1952, subject however to the provisions of that Order:

(**a**) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5. (**b**) S.I. 1952/1859 (1952 I, p. 582).

And Whereas it is provided by subsection (2) of section nine of the Act of 1948 that an Order in Council made under that subsection may be varied by a subsequent Order in Council:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. In the Schedule to the Order of 1952 for the words "The taking of measures, otherwise than in relation to lighting, for securing the maintenance of the road system, including its extension or adaptation to the requirements of traffic." there shall be substituted the words "The taking of measures, otherwise than in relation to lighting, for securing the maintenance of the road system in England and Wales, including its extension or adaptation to the requirements of traffic.".

2. This Order may be cited as the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation) (Amendment) Order, 1956, and shall come into operation on the first day of April, 1956.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

This Order amends the Civil Defence (Designation of the Minister of Transport) Order, 1952, under which the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation is, for the purposes of the Civil Defence Act, 1948, designated Minister in respect of Great Britain in relation to all the functions specified in the Schedule to that Order, including the taking of measures under that Act for the maintenance of the road system. The Minister's functions relating to roads, other than this civil defence function, have as regards Scotland been transferred to the Secretary of State by the Transfer of Functions (Roads, Bridges and Ferries) Order, 1955 (S.I. 1955/1955). Under the present Order, the designation of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation for civil defence purposes is restricted, in relation to roads, to the maintenance of the road system in England and Wales. The taking of measures under the Civil Defence Act, 1948, for the maintenance of the road system in Scotland will, by virtue of section 9(2) of that Act, become the function of the Secretary of State.

1956 No. 480

The Civil Defence (Fire Services) (Water) Regulations, 1956

Made - - - -	*28th March,* 1956
Coming into Operation	*11th April,* 1956

In exercise of the powers conferred on me by sections two and six of the Civil Defence Act, 1948(**a**), I hereby make the following Regulations, a draft of which has been laid before Parliament and approved by resolution of each House of Parliament:—

PART I

FUNCTIONS OF FIRE AUTHORITIES

1. It shall be the function of every fire authority to make plans for the taking of all reasonable measures to secure an adequate supply of water

(a) 12, 13 & 14 Geo. 6. c. 5.