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THE SILICOSIS AND ASBESTOSIS (MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS) AMENDMENT SCHEME, 1946, DATED APRIL 16, 1946, MADE BY THE MINISTER OF NATIONAL INSURANCE UNDER THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1925 (15 & 16 GEO. 5. C. 84), THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (SILICOSIS AND ASBESTOSIS) ACT, 1930 (20 & 21 GEO. 5. C. 29), THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1943 (6 & 7 GEO. 6. C. 6) AND THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION (PNEUMOCONIOSIS) ACT, 1945 (9 & 10 GEO. 6. C. 16).

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Whereas the Secretary of State made the Silicosis and Asbestosis (Medical Arrangements) Scheme, 1931,(b) and has from time to time extended and varied the said Scheme, which Scheme so extended and varied is hereinafter referred to as " the principal Scheme " ;

And whereas it is desirable further to extend and vary the principal Scheme ;

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(b) S.R. & O. 1931 No. 341, p. 642 above.

*Silicosis and Asbestosis (Medical Arrangements) Scheme*

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Now therefore in pursuance of the powers conferred on him by Section 47 of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1925, as amended by the Workmen's Compensation (Silicosis and Asbestosis) Act, 1930, the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1943, and the Ministry of National Insurance (Workmen's Compensation) Order, 1945,(a) and by the Workmen's Compensation (Pneumoconiosis) Act, 1945, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, the Minister of National Insurance by this Scheme provides as follows :—

1. For the purposes of so much of paragraph 12 of the principal Scheme as requires a workman to submit himself for medical examination on engagement in or transfer to employment in any industry or process included in the First Schedule to the Scheme unless he has been employed in such industry or process within the three years previous to such engagement or transfer, there shall be disregarded any period between the third day of September, 1939, and the thirty-first day of March, 1946, during which the workman has been engaged in any service or employment (other than service or employment in an industry or process included in the First Schedule to the principal Scheme or in any industry or process which though not included in the said Schedule is included in a Compensation Scheme), which the Medical Board are satisfied the workman would not have undertaken but for a state of war.

2. This Scheme shall have effect whether the workman was engaged or transferred before or after the date of this Scheme.

3. This Scheme may be cited as the Silicosis and Asbestosis (Medical Arrangements) Amendment Scheme, 1946.

Signed by order of the Minister of National Insurance this 16th day of April, 1946.

*T. W. Phillips,*  
Secretary of the Ministry of  
National Insurance.

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(a) S.R. & O. 1945 No. 318, see the title "Ministers of the Crown (Transfer of Functions, &c.)".