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THE ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979

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Re: The Monument known as Achorn Bridge, prehistoric and post medieval settlement 1400m WSW of

in the Parish of Latheron and County of Caithness

File Ref:

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to the
Secretary of State
for Scotland
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The monument known as Achorn Bridge, prehistoric and post medieval settlement 1400m WSW of comprises a group of prehistoric hut circles associated with possible evidence for contemporary land use and 3 post medieval shieling buildings. Hut 'A' (ND11953041) is a hut circle which is set into a slope and measures about 14.5m E-W by 13m N-S. The wall is spread to about 2.5m wide and is 0.5m high. Intruding on the S part of the hut are the foundations of a rectangular shieling building which is about 7m by 3m. Traces of a turf-covered wall extend for about 90m to the E of this hut. Hut 'B' is in a level but elevated location and measures 10.5m by 9.5m within a wall spread from 3.5m to 4.5m in width and up to 0.9m high. The entrance is to the SE. Possible traces of a rectangular shieling survive within this hut. Hut 'C' is set on a spur which projects into marshy ground; it measures about 7m in diameter. The entrance is to the E and there is a lining slab to the N of the entrance. Foundations of a rectangular shieling building, about 6m by 3m are visible just S of this hut. At ND11923042 are the remains of a possible field clearance cairn and at ND11823028 are traces of another possible structure of uncertain form. The area between these structures is smoothed and flat and this probably indicates cultivation at the time of the occupation of the round huts. The area to be scheduled measures 280 E-W by 230 N-S, to include the hut circles, cairn, length of walling and shieling buildings. The monument, which lies in the Parish of Latheron and the County of Caithness as shown outlined in red on the Plan annexed and executed as relative hereto and which forms part of the

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included in the Schedule of Monuments appearing to the Secretary of State for Scotland to be of national importance compiled and maintained by him under section 1(1) of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland.

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Assistant Secretary
Date 18 SEPTEMBER 1991

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Register on behalf of the Secretary of State for Scotland in the Register of the County of Caithness.

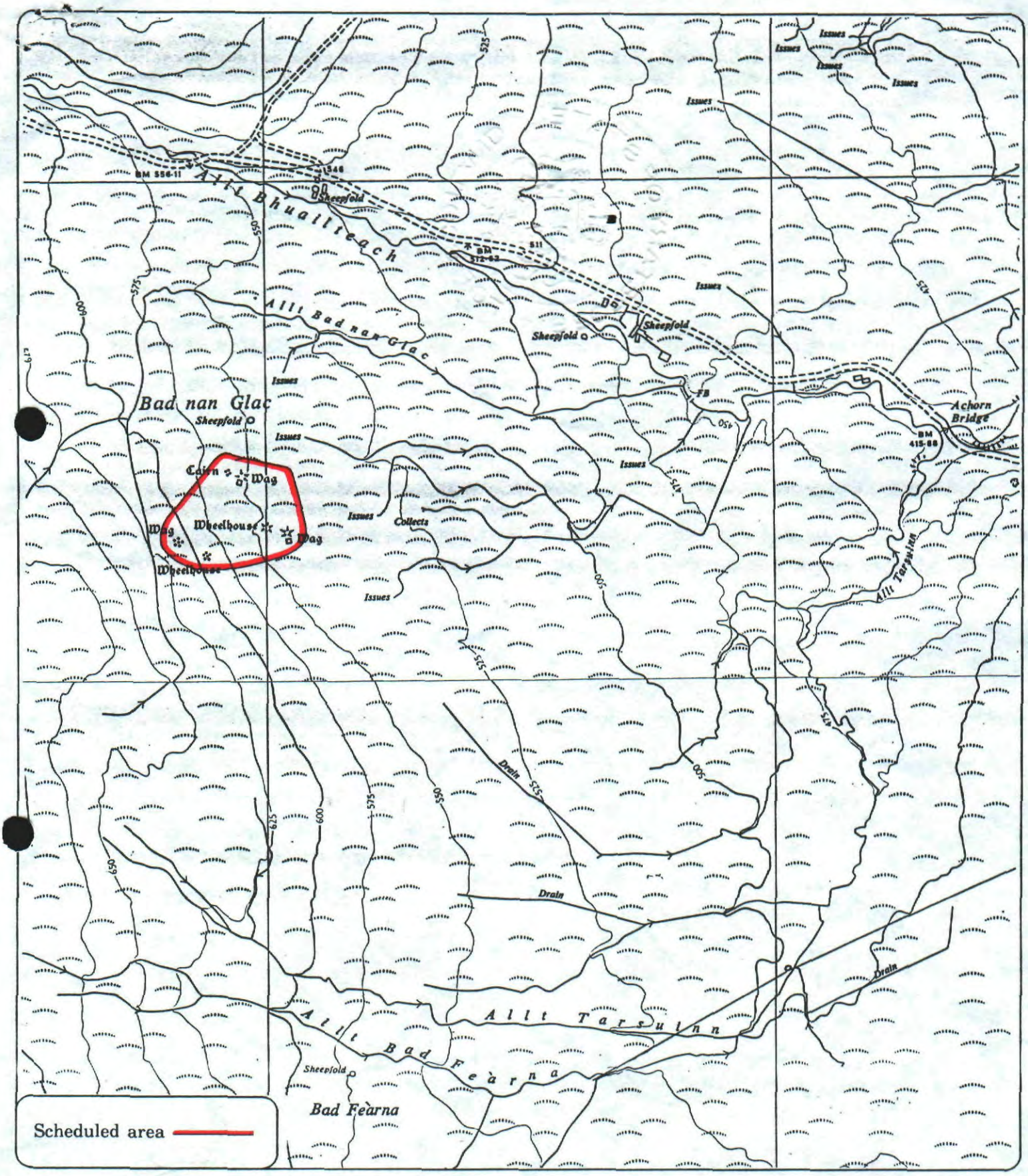
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Achorn Bridge, prehistoric and post medieval settlement 1400m WSW of

Latheron Parish

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