1954 No. 642

The Additional Import Duties (No. 2) Order, 1954

Made - - - -	14*th May*, 1954
Laid before the House of Commons - - -	18*th May*, 1954
Coming into Operation	21*st May*, 1954

Whereas the Board of Trade have recommended the making of this Order so far as it revokes any provision of the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949(**a**), having effect under section fourteen of the Finance Act, 1933(**b**), and so far as it gives directions that the general ad valorem duty shall be charged on goods of any class or description at a reduced rate:

And whereas the Treasury have consulted the appropriate department:

Now, therefore, the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury by virtue of the powers conferred on them by section three and subsection (5) of section nineteen of the Import Duties Act, 1932(**c**), by section fourteen of the Finance Act, 1933, and by section one of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939(**d**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following Order:—

Duties on fresh fruit

1.—(1) There shall be charged on the importation into the United Kingdom of goods of the classes or descriptions in Part I of the First Schedule to this Order additional duties at such rates as with the rate of the general ad valorem duty will amount to the rates respectively set out therein, and, where the rate shown in the second column in the said Part I amounts in the case of any goods to less than ten per cent., the general ad valorem duty shall be charged under section fourteen of the Finance Act, 1933, at such reduced rate as is equal to the rate of duty so shown.

(2) No additional duty shall be charged on goods of the classes or descriptions in Part II of the First Schedule to this Order and the provisions of the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949, charging the general ad valorem duty at a reduced rate under section fourteen of the Finance Act, 1933, on goods of any of those classes or descriptions shall cease to have effect.

(3) In accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Article, the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949, shall be amended as directed by Part III of the First Schedule to this Order.

Duties on trees, plants and flowers

2.—(1) There shall be charged on the importation into the United Kingdom of goods of the classes or descriptions in the Second Schedule to this Order as respects which a rate is shown in the third column of that Schedule an additional duty at such a rate as with the rate of the general ad valorem duty will amount to the rate so shown.

(**a**) S.I. 1949/2355 (1949 I, p. 1298).
(**b**) 23 & 24 Geo. 5. c. 19.
(**c**) 22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. 8.
(**d**) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 97.

(2) No additional duty shall be charged on the importation of goods of the classes or descriptions in Part II of the Second Schedule to this Order, and the provisions of the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949, charging the general ad valorem duty at a reduced rate under section fourteen of the Finance Act, 1933, on goods of any of those classes or descriptions shall cease to have effect.

(3) For the purpose of calculating the rates shown in Part I of the Second Schedule to this Order, the weight of any goods imported in earth or some other growing medium shall be taken to be their weight inclusive of that of the earth or other growing medium.

(4) In accordance with the foregoing provisions of this Article, the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949, shall be amended by substituting the paragraph in Part I of the Second Schedule to this Order for paragraph (1) of Group II in the Second Schedule to that Order, and paragraph (3) of this Article shall apply for the purpose of calculating any rate shown in that Group.

Citation, interpretation, etc.

3.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Additional Import Duties (No. 2) Order, 1954.

(2) In this Order the expression "per cent." means, in relation to any goods, per cent. of the value thereof, and a period specified in this Order shall be deemed to include both dates by reference to which it is defined.

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the twenty-first day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

Dated this fourteenth day of May, 1954.

Edward Heath,
Martin Redmayne,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

FIRST SCHEDULE

Fresh Fruit

Part I

Revised rates of duty

Fresh fruit:—		
Plums (including greengages, damsons, mirabelles and bullace) from 1st July to 31st October.	—	16s. 9d. per cwt.
Strawberries from 1st June to 9th June	4d. per lb.	—

Part II

Goods reverting to the general ad valorem duty

Fresh fruit:—
Plums (including greengages, damsons, mirabelles and bullace) from 1st June to 30th June.
Strawberries from 1st April to 31st May.

PART III

Consequential amendments

1. For sub-paragraph (vi) of paragraph (2) of Group I of the Second Schedule to the Import Duties (Consolidation) Order, 1949, there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:—

(vi) **Plums** (including greengages, damsons, mirabelles and bullace) from 1st July to 31st October	—	16s. 9d. per cwt.

2. For sub-paragraph (vii) of the said paragraph (2) as amended by the Additional Import Duties (No. 3) Order, 1953(a), there shall be substituted the following sub-paragraph:—

(vii) **Strawberries**		
from 1st June to 9th June	4d. per lb.	—
from 10th June to 31st July	6d. per lb.	—

SECOND SCHEDULE

TREES, PLANTS AND FLOWERS

PART I

Paragraph to be substituted for Paragraph (1) *of Group II of the Table of Duties*

(1) **Trees, shrubs, bushes and plants (including roots thereof), flowers and foliage,** whether or not dried, but not including goods comprised in the List of Exceptions set out at the end of this paragraph:—		
(i) **Rose stocks and rose trees, shrubs, bushes and plants—**		
(*a*) Standard trees, including half standards, quarter standards and weeping standards	—	£12 per 100
(*b*) Other	—	£3 per 100
(ii) **Fruit stocks and fruit trees, shrubs, bushes and plants—**		
(*a*) Fruit stocks of Malling varieties	£1 per cwt. or 5 per cent., whichever is the less.	—
(*b*) Other	—	£2 5s. per cwt.
(iii) **Trees, shrubs, bushes and plants,** not comprised in sub-paragraph (i) or (ii) of this paragraph, and not in flower—		
(*a*) Trees, shrubs and bushes ...	—	£2 5s. per cwt.
(*b*) Plants	—	1s. 3d. per lb.
(iv) **Trees, shrubs, bushes, plants and flowers,** not comprised in sub-paragraph (i), (ii) or (iii) of this paragraph—		
(*a*) Mimosa	—	2d. per lb.
(*b*) Gypsophila	—	4½d. per lb. or 10 per cent., whichever is the greater.
Heather...		
Ixia		
Lilac		
Marguerite		
Marigold		
Narcissus (polyanthus types)...		
Peony		
Ranunculus		
Roman hyacinth		
Snowdrop		
Star of Bethlehem		
Stock		

(a) S.I. 1953/1736 (1953 I, p. 495).

(*c*) Hyacinth (other than Roman hyacinth), iris, narcissus (other than polyanthus types, but including daffodils), tulip		
from 1st December to the last day of February	—	2s. 10d. per lb.
from 1st March to 30th April	—	2s. 3d. per lb.
from 1st May to 30th November	—	1s. 8d. per lb.
(*d*) Freesia		
from 1st September to 30th April	—	25 per cent.
(*e*) Other	—	1s. 8d. per lb.
(v) Foliage—		
(*a*) Asparagus foliage	—	1s. 8d. per lb.
(*b*) Other	—	4½d. per lb.

The List of Exceptions above referred to:—

1. Rose stocks neither budded nor grafted, the following:—
   Rosa canina rooted single stems, not less than 4 feet in length.
   Rosa canina seedlings.
   Rosa laxa seedlings.
   Rosa rugosa rooted single stems, not less than 4 feet in length.
2. Fresh or dried vegetables (other than herbs) imported in a state such that they are not suitable for planting.
3. Dried plants, dried flowers and dried foliage, being plants, flowers or foliage of the kinds (when dried) used solely for the manufacture of drugs or medicines.
4. Dry bulbs, rhizomes, corms and tubers, but not including dahlia or other tuberous roots.
5. Lily of the valley crowns and roots.
6. Trees, shrubs, bushes and plants, the following:—
   Azalea indica (not in flower).
   Broussonetia papyrifera (paper mulberry) and grafts on broussonetia papyrifera stock.
   Cocos weddelliana.
   Freesia, in flower, from 1st May to 31st August.
   Kentia belmoreana (howea belmoreana).
   Kentia forsteriana (howea forsteriana).
   Phoenix canariensis.
   Sweet bays.
7. Flowers and foliage, the following:—
   Agrostis.
   Cycas leaves.
   Eryanthus.
   Eulalia.
   Freesia from 1st May to 31st August.
   Golden palm.
   Holly.
   Lavender flowers (dried).
   Magnolia leaves.
   Mistletoe.
   Pampas.
   Stipa.
   Topini (lagurus).
8. Dried chamomile flowers.

PART II

Goods reverting to the general ad valorem duty

1. Plants in flower, the following:—
   Freesia from 1st May to 31st August.

2. Flowers and foliage, the following:—
   Agrostis.
   Cycas leaves.
   Eryanthus.
   Eulalia.
   Freesia from 1st May to 31st August.
   Lavender flowers (dried).
   Magnolia leaves.
   Pampas.
   Stipa.
   Topini (lagurus).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order alters the rates of duty chargeable under the Import Duties Act, 1932, on importations of fresh plums and strawberries, and of nurserymen's stock (viz., trees, bushes, shrubs and plants) and cut flowers and foliage. The duties on certain goods have been increased and in some cases adjustments have been made in the periods during which the duties are operative; for other goods the specific duties hitherto in operation have been allowed to lapse, and the ordinary 10 per cent. general ad valorem duty restored. The new rates are those set out in the Schedules to the Order.

1954 No. 149

The Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1954

Made - - - -	12*th February*, 1954
Laid before the House of Commons	15*th February*, 1954
Coming into Operation	19*th February*, 1954

Whereas the Treasury, after consultation with the appropriate department, are of opinion that aerial survey film ought to be exempted from the provisions of section one of the Import Duties Act, 1932(a):

Now, therefore, the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by section one and subsection (5) of section nineteen of the Import Duties Act, 1932, by subsection (3) of section ten of the Finance Act, 1934(b), and by section one of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939(c), and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

1.—(1) Aerial survey film, being exposed photographic film other than cinematograph film, depicting only topographical features, of a kind suitable

(a) 22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. 8. (b) 24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. 32.
(c) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 97.