BAHRAIN

1953 No. 1213

The Bahrain (Amendment) Order, 1953

Made - - - -	1*st August*, 1953
Laid before Parliament	4*th August*, 1953
Coming into Operation	1*st September*, 1953

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 1st day of August, 1953

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by treaty, capitulation, grant, usage, sufferance and other lawful means Her Majesty the Queen has jurisdiction within the territories of the Ruler of Bahrain ;

And Whereas provision was made for the exercise of such jurisdiction by the Bahrain Order, 1952(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Principal Order") ;

And Whereas it is now expedient to make certain amendments to the Principal Order ;

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf by the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts, 1890 and 1913(b), or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1. The Principal Order shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions :—

(1) For the definition of "Secretary of State" in Article 4, there shall be substituted the following :—

> ""Secretary of State" means one of Her Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State."

(2) For paragraph (3) of Article 5 there shall be substituted the following :—

> "(3) Where this Order refers to the holder of a particular office the reference includes any person authorised to act for the holder of that office".

(3) For sub-paragraph (1) (*b*) of Article 8 there shall be substituted the following :—

> "(*b*) individuals who are nationals of Saudi Arabia, Iran, the Yemen or Muscat and Oman, or subjects of the Rulers of Kuwait, Qatar or any of the Trucial States, and such other classes of persons as may be agreed from time to time between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Ruler and specified by Queen's Regulations made under Article 82 of this Order".

(a) S.I. 1952/2108; 1952 I, p. 184. (b) 53 & 54 Vict. c. 37 and 3 & 4 Geo. 5. c. 16.

(4) The following shall be added after paragraph (4) of Article 8:—

"(5) Persons not subject to this Order, to the extent provided in Part VIII of this Order".

(5) Paragraph (3) of Article 67 shall be renumbered (4) and the following paragraph shall be inserted after paragraph (2) of that Article:—

"(3) The Joint Court shall also have jurisdiction in such other cases as may be agreed from time to time between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Ruler and specified by Queen's Regulations made under Article 82 of this Order".

(6) The following shall be added after paragraph (3) (*j*) of Article 82:—

"(*k*) For the purposes specified in Articles (8) (1) (*b*) and 67 (3) of this Order".

(7) The words "on conviction" shall be deleted from paragraph (1) of Article 83.

2. This Order may be cited as the Bahrain (Amendment) Order, 1953, and the Principal Order and this Order may be cited together as the Bahrain Orders, 1952 and 1953.

3. This Order shall come into force on the first day of September, 1953.

The Right Honourable Anthony Eden, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, is to give the necessary directions accordingly.

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 Bahrain Order, 1952 (S.I. 1952/2108) (referred to as "the Principal Order"). The amendments—

(1) broaden the definition of "Secretary of State" in the Principal Order and the interpretation to be placed on references in that Order to the holders of particular offices, and thereby facilitate the operation of the Principal Order;

(2) give effect to an agreement recently concluded between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Ruler of Bahrain to transfer to him jurisdiction over Iranian nationals;

(3) enable effect to be given to similar agreements in the future without further amendment of the Principal Order;

(4) enable the jurisdiction of the Joint Courts established by Part III of the Principal Order to be extended by agreement between Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and the Ruler of Bahrain without further amendment of the Principal Order;

(5) clarify the intention of the Principal Order in certain respects.