STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 24

BAHRAIN

The Bahrain (Amendment) Order 1967

Made - - - -	11*th January* 1967
Laid before Parliament	17*th January* 1967
Coming into Operation	18*th January* 1967

At the Court at Sandringham, the 11th day of January 1967

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 1959(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 following Article shall be added after Article 8 of the Principal Order:—

"8A.—Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 8 of this Order, the powers conferred by this Order shall not extend to such matters 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 Regulation made under Article 76 of this Order, and the other provisions of this Order shall be construed accordingly."

2. The following shall be substituted for Article 14(2)(i) of the Principal Order:—

"The Judge of the Court for Bahrain shall be appointed by the Secretary of State. At the time of his appointment the Judge shall be a member of the Bar of England, Scotland or Northern Ireland, or a solicitor of the Supreme Court in England or Northern Ireland, or a Writer to Her Majesty's Signet or a Solicitor in the Supreme Courts of Scotland or shall be a person who has held office under the Crown as a judge in a Court which, in the opinion of the Secretary of State, has jurisdiction generally comparable with the jurisdiction exercised by the Court for Bahrain. Persons similarly qualified may be appointed Assistant Judges from time to time by the Secretary of State. Each Judge or Assistant Judge may exercise all the powers and jurisdiction of the Court."

(a) S.I. 1959/1035 (1959 I, p. 250). (b) 1890 c. 37, 1913 c. 16.

3. The following shall be substituted for Article 76(3)(*k*) of the Principal Order:—

"For the purposes specified in Articles 8(1)(*g*), 8A and 62(3) of this Order".

4. The amendments to the Principal Order shall not affect the past operation of the Principal Order or any right, title, obligation or liability accrued, or the validity or invalidity of anything done or suffered under the Principal Order, before this Order comes into force.

5. This Order may be cited as the Bahrain (Amendment) Order 1967, and the Bahrain Order 1959 and this Order may be cited together as the Bahrain Orders 1959 and 1967.

6. This Order shall come into operation on 18th January 1967.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order makes provision concerning the relinquishment of jurisdiction to the Ruler of Bahrain by Queen's Regulation in such matters as may be agreed between Her Majesty's Government and the Ruler. It also provides that the Judge and Assistant Judges of the Court for Bahrain may be appointed by the Secretary of State not only from among persons holding legal qualifications in the United Kingdom but also from those who have had judicial experience under the Crown in courts of jurisdiction comparable with that of Her Majesty's Court for Bahrain.