STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1982 No. 1665

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Carriage of Goods by Sea (Parties to Convention) Order 1982

Made - - - - - 24*th November* 1982

Coming into Operation 1*st December* 1982

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 24th day of November 1982

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by section 2 of the Carriage of Goods by Sea Act 1971**(a)** and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Carriage of Goods by Sea (Parties to Convention) Order 1982 and shall come into operation on 1st December 1982.

2. It is hereby certified that the contracting States to the International Convention for the Unification of Certain Rules of Law relating to Bills of Lading signed at Brussels on 25th August 1924**(b)**, as amended by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 23rd February 1968**(c)**, and the territories in respect of which they are respectively contracting States are as listed in the Schedule to this Order.

3. The Carriage of Goods by Sea (Parties to Convention) Order 1978**(d)** is hereby revoked.

N. E. Leigh,
Clerk of the Privy Council.

(a) 1971 c. 19. **(b)** Cmd. 3806. **(c)** Cmd. 6944. **(d)** S.I. 1978/1885.

Article 2

SCHEDULE

Contracting States	Territories in respect of which they are respectively parties	Dates on which the Convention as amended came into force
The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Great Britain and Northern Ireland	23rd June 1977
	The Isle of Man	23rd June 1977
	Bermuda	1st February 1981
	Gibraltar	22nd December 1977
	Hong Kong	1st February 1981
The Kingdom of Belgium	Belgium	6th December 1978
The Kingdom of Denmark	Denmark	23rd June 1977
The Republic of Ecuador	Ecuador	23rd June 1977
The French Republic	France	23rd June 1977
The German Democratic Republic	German Democratic Republic	14th May 1979
The Lebanese Republic	Lebanon	23rd June 1977
The Kingdom of the Netherlands	The Kingdom of the Netherlands in Europe	26th July 1982
	The Netherlands Antilles	26th July 1982
The Kingdom of Norway	Norway	23rd June 1977
The Polish People's Republic	Poland	12th May 1980
The Republic of Singapore	Singapore	23rd June 1977
The Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	Sri Lanka	21st January 1982
The Kingdom of Sweden	Sweden	23rd June 1977
The Swiss Confederation	Switzerland	23rd June 1977
The Syrian Arab Republic	Syria	23rd June 1977
The Kingdom of Tonga	Tonga	13th September 1978

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

The Carriage of Goods by Sea Act 1971 gives effect in the United Kingdom to the International Convention for the Unification of certain Rules of Law relating to Bills of Lading, signed at Brussels on 25th August 1924 (Cmd. 3806), as amended by the Protocol of 23rd February 1968 (Cmnd. 6944) (commonly known as "the Hague–Visby Rules").

This Order, which revokes the Carriage of Goods by Sea (Parties to Convention) Order 1978, certifies the contracting States to the 1924 Convention as amended by the 1968 Protocol and the territories in respect of which they are contracting States. Since the previous Order was made in 1978 the Rules have entered into force for the German Democratic Republic, the Netherlands, Poland, Sri Lanka, Bermuda and Hong Kong.

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