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CINEMATOGRAPHS AND CINEMATOGRAPH FILMS

BRITISH FILMS (FINANCE)

The Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) (Amendment) Regulations 1964

Laid before Parliament in draft

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Whereas a draft of these Regulations has been laid before Parliament and approved by Resolution of each House pursuant to section 3(4) of the Cinematograph Films Act 1957(a):

Now, therefore, the Board of Trade in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by section 3 of the said Act, and after consultation with the Cinematograph Films Council, hereby make the following Regulations:—

1. Regulation 13(2) of the Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) Regulations 1963(b) shall be amended by adding to the proviso thereto (which sets out certain matters which are to be disregarded in determining whether a film is a " television film " for the purpose of those Regulations) the following:—

" (iv) any agreement or arrangement for the exhibition of a film on pay television;

(v) any exhibition of a film on pay television otherwise than during the period of six months ending with the date of registration of the film in question.

In this proviso references to pay television are references to an experimental television service provided or to be provided to subscribers by a licensee under the Telegraph Act 1869(c) ".

2. These Regulations may be cited as the Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) (Amendment) Regulations 1964 and shall come into operation on 1st September 1964.

Drumalbyn,
Minister of State,
Board of Trade.

23rd July 1964.

(a) 5 & 6 Eliz. 2. c. 21. (b) S.I. 1963/1376 (1963 II, p. 2373). (c) 32 & 33 Vict. c. 73.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

These Regulations amend the Cinematograph Films (Distribution of Levy) Regulations 1963 (S.I. 1963/1376).

Under those Regulations a registered film loses its eligibility for distribution of the film levy if an agreement or arrangement to exhibit it on television is in existence at the date of its registration or if it is exhibited on television earlier than twelve months after its registration.

These amending Regulations modify the position in relation to pay television. A film will lose its eligibility for distribution of levy only if it is exhibited during the period of six months prior to registration.