STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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ANTARCTICA

The Conservation of Antarctic Mammals and Birds (High Seas) Order 1973

Made - - - -	*24th October* 1973
Laid before Parliament	*30th October* 1973
Coming into Operation	*On a date to be notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 24th day of October 1973

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in that behalf by section 7 (3) of the Antarctic Treaty Act 1967(a) 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. This Order may be cited as the Conservation of Antarctic Mammals and Birds (High Seas) Order 1973 and shall come into operation on a date to be notified in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes.

2. Sections 1 to 4 of the Antarctic Treaty Act 1967, in so far as they relate to killing, injuring, molesting or taking native mammals or native birds, shall have effect as if Antarctica included the whole of the high seas south of the sixtieth parallel of south latitude.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order extends the application of the Antarctic Treaty Act 1967 to the high seas south of 60° South in so far as the conservation of native mammals and birds is concerned, thus enabling the United Kingdom to ratify the Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Seals opened for signature in London on 1st June 1972 (Cmnd. 5302).

(a) 1967 c. 65.

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