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FOREIGN COMPENSATION

The Foreign Compensation (Financial Provisions) Order, 1961

Made - - - -	*27th February*, 1961
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At the Court of Saint James, the 27th day of February, 1961

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother
Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret

Lord President	**Mr. Secretary Maclay**
Mr. Secretary Profumo	**Mr. Powell**

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the seventeenth day of January, 1961, to delegate to the following Counsellors of State (subject to the exceptions hereinafter mentioned) or any two or more of them, that is to say, His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And Whereas Her Majesty was further pleased to except from the number of the said Counsellors of State His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent while absent from the United Kingdom:

And Whereas an Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the Czechoslovak Agreement") entered into between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Czechoslovakia on the 28th day of September, 1949(a), provided for the payment of certain sums by the Government of Czechoslovakia to the Government of the United Kingdom as compensation in respect of British property, rights and interests affected by various Czechoslovak measures:

And Whereas an Agreement (hereinafter referred to as "the Polish Agreement") entered into between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Poland on the 11th day of November, 1954(b), provided for the payment of certain sums by the Government of Poland to the Government of the United Kingdom as compensation in respect of

(a) Treaty Series No. 60 (1949), Cmd. 7797. (b) Treaty Series No. 77 (1954), Cmd. 9343.

British property, rights and interests affected by various Polish measures and in respect of certain debts due to the Government of the United Kingdom or to British nationals :

And Whereas an Agreement (hereinafter referred to as " the Bulgarian Agreement ") entered into between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Bulgaria on the 22nd day of September, 1955(a), provided for the payment of certain sums by the Government of Bulgaria to the Government of the United Kingdom as compensation in respect of the debts, claims and obligations referred to in Article 1 of that Agreement :

And Whereas an Agreement (hereinafter referred to as " the Hungarian Agreement ") entered into between the Government of the United Kingdom and the Government of Hungary on the 27th day of June, 1956(b), provided for the payment of certain sums by the Government of Hungary to the Government of the United Kingdom as compensation in respect of the debts, claims and obligations referred to in paragraph (1) of Article 1 of that Agreement :

And Whereas by subsection (2) of section 7 of the Foreign Compensation Act, 1950(c), (hereinafter referred to as " the Act ") it is provided that Her Majesty may by Order in Council direct the payment into the Exchequer by the Commission, out of any sums paid to the Commission for the purpose of being distributed under the Act, of such amount as may be determined by or under the Order to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution of those sums :

And Whereas it is now expedient that provision for those expenses should be made in relation to the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960 :

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by the Act, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1. The Commission shall pay into the Exchequer out of the sums received by Her Majesty's Government under the Czechoslovak Agreement and paid to the Commission for the purpose of being distributed by the Commission under the Act, the amount of £1,940 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution of those sums during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960.

2. The Commission shall pay into the Exchequer out of the sums received by Her Majesty's Government under the Polish Agreement and paid to the Commission for the purpose of being distributed by the Commission under the Act :

(*a*) the amount of £9,762 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960, of those sums paid by the Commission under the Foreign Compensation (Poland)

(a) Treaty Series No. 79 (1955), Cmd. 9625. (b) Treaty Series No. 30 (1956), Cmd. 9820.
(c) 14 Geo. 6. c. 12.

(Nationalisation Claims) Order, 1956(a), as amended, into the Polish (Nationalisation Claims) Fund; and

(*b*) the amount of £9,709 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960, of those sums paid by the Commission under the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) Order, 1956(b), as amended, into the Polish Debts Fund: Part I (State Guaranteed Debts); and

(*c*) the amount of £285 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960, of those sums paid by the Commission under the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) Order, 1956, as amended, into the Polish Debts Fund: Part II (Pre-war Banking Debts); and

(*d*) the amount of £285 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960, of those sums paid by the Commission under the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) Order, 1956, as amended, into the Polish Debts Fund: Part III (Pre-war Commercial Debts).

3. The Commission shall pay into the Exchequer out of the sums received by Her Majesty's Government under the Bulgarian Agreement and paid to the Commission for the purpose of being distributed by the Commission under the Act, the amount of £946 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution of those sums during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960.

4. The Commission shall pay into the Exchequer out of the sums received by Her Majesty's Government under the Hungarian Agreement and paid to the Commission for the purpose of being distributed by the Commission under the Act, the amount of £14,053 0s. 0d. which is hereby determined to be the amount of the expenses of the Commission attributable to the discharge by the Commission of their functions in relation to the distribution of those sums during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960.

5. The payments into the Exchequer of the amounts provided for in Articles 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this Order shall be made not later than 30th March, 1961.

6.—(*a*) This Order may be cited as the Foreign Compensation (Financial Provisions) Order, 1961.

(*b*) This Order shall come into operation on the 6th day of March, 1961.

And the Right Honourable The Earl of Home, Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, is to give the necessary directions herein.

W. G. Agnew.

(a) S.I. 1956/618 (1956 I, p. 1043). (b) S.I. 1956/617 (1956 I, p. 1036).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order, which is made under section 7 (2) of the Foreign Compensation Act, 1950, enables the Foreign Compensation Commission to repay to the Exchequer, out of the sums received by Her Majesty's Government under the Compensation Agreement with Czechoslovakia and under the Financial Agreements with Poland, Bulgaria and Hungary, respectively, and paid to the Commission under the Act, the amount of the Commission's expenses during the period 1st October, 1959, to 30th September, 1960, in relation to the distribution of those sums.