1959 No. 1293

The Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment) Order, 1959

Made - - - -	28*th July*, 1959
Laid before Parliament	30*th July*, 1959
Coming into Operation	31*st July*, 1959

At the Court of Saint James, the 28th day of July, 1959

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother

Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent

Lord President	**Mr. Brooke**
Earl of Selkirk	**Mr. Aubrey Jones**

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the fifteenth day of June, 1959, 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 Her Majesty is authorised to make provision by Order in Council under the Foreign Compensation Act, 1950(a), (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") for the determination by the Foreign Compensation Commission (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") of claims to participate in compensation received under agreements with foreign governments, and for the distribution by the Commission of such compensation :

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 12.

And Whereas such provision was made by the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) Order, 1956(a), as amended by the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment) Order, 1957(b), the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment No. 2) Order, 1957(c), and the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment) Order, 1958(d), (hereinafter referred to together as "the Order"):

And Whereas it is now deemed expedient to make certain amendments to the Order:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent, 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. There shall be substituted for paragraph (*c*) of Article 7 of the Order the following:—

"For the purposes of this Order, the expression "British nationals" means

(i) individuals who are (or would have been had the British Nationality Act, 1948(e), and the British Protectorates, Protected States and Protected Persons Orders in Council, 1949 to 1958(f), been in force at the relevant date) citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies, British subjects without citizenship as defined in Section 13 of that Act, Southern Rhodesian citizens, or British protected persons as defined in Section 32 of that Act provided that, as regards any relevant date prior to the sixteenth day of May, 1948, the expression "British protected persons" shall be deemed to include a person who was at that date a Palestinian citizen under the Palestinian Citizenship Orders, 1925 to 1942(g):

(ii) corporations, firms and associations incorporated or constituted under the laws in force in the United Kingdom or in any territory for whose international relations Her Majesty's Government are (or were at the relevant date) responsible."

2. This Order shall come into operation on the 31st day of July, 1959, and may be cited as the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) (Amendment) Order, 1959.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order amends the definition of "British nationals" in paragraph (*c*) of Article 7 of the Foreign Compensation (Poland) (Debts) Order, 1956 (as previously amended) by clarifying the reference to "British protected persons" in that Article.

(a) S.I. 1956/617 (1956, I, p. 1036). (b) S.I. 1957/100 (1957 I, p. 1026). (c) S.I. 1957/1366 (1957, I, p. 1027). (d) S.I. 1958/593 (1958 I, p. 1225). (e) 11 & 12 Geo. 6. c. 56. (f) S.I. 1949/140, 1952/457, 1953/1773, 1958/259, 590 (1949 I, p. 522; 1952 I, p. 437; 1953 I, p. 188; 1958 I, pp. 245, 246). (g) S.R. & O. 1925/777, 1931/671, 1939/863, 1941/1121, 1942/1177 (1925, p. 474; 1931, p. 467; 1939 II, p. 1658; 1941 I, p. 356; 1942 I, p. 216).