(iii) MISCELLANEOUS

Order made by the Board of Trade, revoking licences relating to the goods specified therein

1948 No. 1178

Made - - - - *3rd June*, 1948

The Board of Trade, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 1 of the Import, Export and Customs Powers (Defence) Act, 1939(a), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, do hereby order that all licences granted before the date hereof by the Board of Trade permitting the exportation from the United Kingdom of any goods are hereby revoked to the extent that they authorise the exportation from the United Kingdom to any port or destination in Egypt, Iraq, Palestine, Transjordan, Syria, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Yemen of any goods specified in Group 17 of the First Schedule to the Export of Goods (Control) (Consolidation) Order, 1947(b), except the following:—

Military equipment and accoutrements of the following descriptions:—

Webbing equipment of the following descriptions:—

Anklets.

Belts, braces and straps, and webbing therefor.

Carriers, cases and pouches.

Haversacks and packs.

Slings, rifle, and webbing therefor.

Dated this 3rd day of June, 1948.

Kenneth McGregor,
An Under-Secretary of the
Board of Trade.

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2. IMPORT DUTIES

(1) *Exemptions.*
(2) *Additional Duties*, p. 635.
(3) *Imperial Preference*, p. 642.
(4) *Silk Duties*, p. 643.
(5) *Drawbacks*, p. 649.

(1) EXEMPTIONS

The Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1948

1948 No. 1590

Made - - - - *9th July*, 1948
Laid before the
House of Commons *9th July*, 1948
Coming into Operation *15th July*, 1948

Whereas it appears to the Treasury to be expedient that the goods hereafter specified in this Order should be exempted from the provisions of section one of the Import Duties Act, 1932: 22 & 23 Geo. 5. c. 8.

And Whereas the Treasury have consulted with the appropriate department before making this Order:

(a) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 69. (b) S.R. & O. 1947 (No. 2683) I, p. 379.

Now, therefore, the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by section one and subsection (5) of section nineteen of the Import Duties Act, 1932, by subsection (3) of section ten of the Finance Act, 1934, and by section one of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby make the following Order:—

24 & 25 Geo. 5. c. 32.
2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 97.

Exemption of prunes from s. 1 of Import Duties Act, 1932, and consequential amendments.

1.—(1) There shall be added to the First Schedule to the Import Duties Act, 1932, the following fruit, dried, without sugar, that is to say, prunes.

(2) The said First Schedule, as amended by the Import Duties (Exemptions Consolidation) Order, 1935(a), and by subsequent Orders, and the Second Annex to the said Order of 1935 as amended by subsequent Orders, shall each be further amended as follows, that is to say, in paragraph (7) of Group II for the word " Apples " there shall be substituted the words " Prunes, apples ".

Short title, interpretation and commencement.
52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

2.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 1) Order, 1948.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply in the interpretation of this Order as it applies in the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the 15th day of July, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

Dated this 9th day of July, 1948.

Wm. Hannan,
Joseph Henderson,
Two of the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Under the recent Geneva Agreement the margin of Imperial Preference on prunes is to be eliminated, i.e., duty is not to be charged at a higher rate on foreign than on Empire prunes. The latter are at present free from duty and the Geneva obligation is being met by making all prunes free of duty.

As soon as the repeal of the existing duties under the Customs Tariff Act, 1876, and the Ottawa Agreements Act, 1932, becomes effective, foreign (but not Empire) prunes would automatically become chargeable with the ten per cent. general ad valorem duty under the Import Duties Act, 1932, unless provision to the contrary is made.

This Order makes such provision by adding prunes to the Schedule of goods exempted from the general ad valorem duty.

(a) S.R. & O. 1935 (No. 1244) p. 298.