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CUSTOMS AND EXCISE
The Import Duties (General) (No. 2) Order 1973

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Coming into Operation	*1st April* 1973

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, by virtue of the powers conferred on them by sections 1, 2 and 13 of the Import Duties Act 1958(**a**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, on the recommendation of the Secretary of State(**b**), hereby makes the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Import Duties (General) (No. 2) Order 1973.

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

(3) This Order shall come into operation on 1st April 1973.

2. In Schedule 1 to the Import Duties (General) (No. 7) Order 1971(**d**) (which by reference to the Custom Tariff 1959 sets out the import duties chargeable under the Import Duties Act 1958) for subheading (A) (1) of heading 98.10 there shall be substituted the following:—

"(A) (1)

Portable lighters constructed solely for the purpose of igniting gas for domestic use, whether complete or incomplete (including stems of electrical lighters and rigid or spring frames of flint lighters)	£0·0250 each	C E	£0·0250 each —

V. H. Goodhew,

Oscar Murton,

Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury.

5th March 1973.

(**a**) 1958 c. 6.
(**b**) *See* S.I. 1970/1537 (1970 III, p. 5293).
(**c**) 1889 c. 63.
(**d**) S.I. 1971/1971 (1971 III, p. 5330).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order imposes an import duty on domestic gas lighters (other than those originating in the EFTA area and the Republic of Ireland) of $2\frac{1}{2}$ pence each, with effect from 1st April 1973.

This import duty retains the protective element of the existing revenue duty which is to be repealed from 1st April 1973.

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