STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1976 No. 708

ANIMALS

DISEASES OF ANIMALS

The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1976

Made - - - -	*7th May* 1976
Laid before Parliament	*17th May* 1976
Coming into Operation	*18th May* 1976

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, in exercise of their powers under sections 1(1), 33(1), 84(3)(*a*) and 85(1) of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950(**a**), as extended by the Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definitions) Order 1952(**b**), and as adapted to air transport by section 11(1) of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1954(**c**), and now vested in them(**d**), and of the powers conferred on them by section 24 of the said Act as amended by the Diseases of Animals Act 1975(**e**), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order, which may be cited as the Importation of Carcases and Animal Products (Amendment) Order 1976, shall come into operation on 18th May 1976.

Interpretation

2.—(1) In this order the "principal order" means the Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1972(**f**).

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

Amendment of Article 6 of the principal order

3. Article 6 of the principal order is amended by adding at the end thereof the words "and any person on whom such a notice is served who fails to comply with its provisions commits an offence against the Act".

Amendment of Schedule 1 to the principal order

4. Schedule 1 to the principal order is amended by adding at the end of the 15th item thereof, namely "meat packed in hermetically sealed glass or metal containers", the words "which, in the opinion of an officer of the Minister, is cooked throughout its substance".

(a) 1950 c. 36.
(b) S.I. 1952/1236 (1952 I, p. 128).
(c) 1954 c. 39.
(d) S.I. 1955/958 (1955 I, p. 1184).
(e) 1975 c. 40.
(f) S.I. 1972/287 (1972 I, p. 936).
(g) 1889 c. 63.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 5th May 1976.

(L.S.)

Frederick Peart,
Minister of Agriculture,
Fisheries and Food.

Bruce Millan,
7th May 1976. Secretary of State for Scotland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

The Importation of Carcases and Animal Products Order 1972 prohibits the landing in Great Britain, except under licence, of any carcase or animal product other than those listed in its Schedule 1.

This amendment order amplifies one of the exempted items in Schedule 1 to the 1972 order, i.e. "meat packed in hermetically sealed glass or metal containers", so as to make it clear that the exemption relates to fully cooked canned meat only. It also makes failure to comply with a notice requiring exportation of anything landed in contravention of the 1972 order an offence punishable under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950.

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