STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

The Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) (Amendment) Regulations 1978

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The Secretary of State, after consulting with the organisations referred to in section 99(2) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1970(a), in exercise of powers conferred by section 71 of that Act and now vested in him(b), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) (Amendment) Regulations 1978 and shall come into operation on 1st March 1978.

2. The Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) Regulations 1972(c), as amended(d), shall be further amended as follows:—

In Regulation 30, for the third parenthesis, there shall be substituted the following:—

> "(including in the case of an application for both a British Seaman's Card and a discharge book, 3 copies, and in any other case 2 copies, of a recent head and shoulders photograph of himself measuring 50 mm by 50 mm (2 inches by 2 inches))".

Stanley Clinton Davis,
Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State,
Department of Trade.

26th January 1978.

(a) 1970 c. 36. (b). *See* S.I. 1970/1537. (c) S.I. 1972/1295.
(d) The amendments are not relevant to the subject matter of these Regulations.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) Regulations 1972 by amending the requirement for a seaman to furnish to the superintendent, on application for a British Seaman's Card or discharge book, a black and white photograph of himself. The photograph can now be coloured or black and white and 3 copies of it will be necessary where the seaman is applying both for a card and a discharge book and 2 copies will be necessary where the application is for a card only or a discharge book only.

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