STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

MASTERS AND SEAMEN

The Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents)(Amendment) Regulations 1981

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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 1981 and shall come into operation on 1st April 1981.

2. Schedule 3 to the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) Regulations 1972(**c**) shall be further amended by the insertion of "Isle of Man" before "Mauritius" in the list of countries contained in that Schedule.

Trefgarne,
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Trade.

2nd March 1981.

(**a**) 1970 c.36. (**b**) *See* S.I. 1970/1537.
(**c**) S.I. 1972/1295; the only relevant amending instrument is S.I. 1974/1734.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Regulations.)

These Regulations further amend the Merchant Shipping (Seamen's Documents) Regulations 1972 so as to provide that a seaman who holds a discharge book issued by the Isle of Man shall, on the same conditions as apply in the case of discharge books issued by governments of other countries specified in those Regulations, be exempt from the requirement to apply for a discharge book issued by the Secretary of State.

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