this Order; and anything which, at the time of the coming into operation of this Order, is in process of being done by or in relation to that Minister (including in particular any legal proceeding then pending to which that Minister is a party) may, if it relates to any functions, property, rights or liabilities transferred by this Order, be continued by or in relation to the Minister of Aviation.

(3) Any authority, appointment or direction given or made by the Minister of Transport for the purposes of the functions transferred by this Order shall, if in force at the coming into operation of this Order, continue in force as if given or made by the Minister of Aviation.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order in Council, made under the Ministers of the Crown (Transfer of Functions) Act, 1946, combines under a single Minister, to be known as the Minister of Aviation, the Government's functions relating to aviation and aircraft production which are now divided between the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation and the Ministry of Supply. The Order provides for the transfer to the Minister of Supply of the civil aviation functions of the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation, and changes the style and titles of those Ministers respectively to "Minister of Aviation" and "Minister of Transport".

1959 No. 1769

The Minister of Labour Order, 1959

Made - - - -	19*th October*, 1959
Laid before Parliament	20*th October*, 1959
Coming into Operation	21*st October*, 1959

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 19th day of October, 1959

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by the Minister of National Service Order, 1939(a), the Minister of National Service (in this Order referred to as "the Minister") was authorised to exercise his functions concurrently with functions of the Minister of Labour, and to describe himself as the Minister of Labour and National Service:

And Whereas it is expedient to transfer the functions of the Minister to the Minister of Labour:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in pursuance of section one of the Ministers of the Crown (Transfer of Functions) Act, 1946(b), is pleased, by and with

(a) S.R. & O. 1939/1118 (Rev. XV, p. 131: 1939 II, p. 2351). (b) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 31.

the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Minister of Labour Order, 1959.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(a), applies 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 the twenty-first day of October, 1959.

Transfer of functions of Minister of National Service to Minister of Labour

2.—(1) The functions of the Minister are hereby transferred to the Minister of Labour, and accordingly for references in any enactment or instrument to the Minister of Labour and National Service there shall be substituted references to the Minister of Labour.

(2) All property, rights and liabilities of the Minister shall, by virtue of this Order, become property, rights and liabilities of the Minister of Labour.

(3) In this Article "instrument" (without prejudice to the generality of that expression) includes in particular Orders in Council, judgments, decrees, orders, rules, regulations, byelaws, awards, contracts, certificates, permits, directions, and other documents.

Supplementary

3.—(1) This Order shall not affect the validity of anything done by or in relation to the Minister before the coming into operation of this Order; and anything which, at the time of the coming into operation of this Order, is in process of being done by or in relation to the Minister (including in particular any legal proceeding then pending to which the Minister is a party) may be continued by or in relation to the Minister of Labour.

(2) Any authority, appointment, reference, permit or direction given or made by the Minister shall, if in force at the coming into operation of this Order, continue in force as if made or given by the Minister of Labour.

W. G. Agnew

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order in Council, made under the Ministers of the Crown (Transfer of Functions) Act, 1946, provides for the transfer to the Minister of Labour of the functions of the Minister of National Service.

(a) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.