1953 No. 151

The Parrots and Miscellaneous Birds (Prohibition of Importation) Order, 1953

Made - - - -	*2nd February*, 1953
Laid before Parliament	*4th February*, 1953
Coming into Operation	*16th February*, 1953

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Sections 33 and 49 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(a), (as extended by the Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definition of Poultry) Order, 1953)(b), and of every other power enabling him in this behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

Short Title and Commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Parrots and Miscellaneous Birds (Prohibition of Importation) Order, 1953, and shall come into operation on the sixteenth day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

Interpretation

2.—(1) The birds to which this Order applies are live birds of any of the following descriptions, that is to say—

birds of the species Psittaciformes, including any of the birds commonly called parrots, parrakeets, budgerigars, lovebirds, macaws, cockatoos, cockatiels, conures, lories and lorikeets.

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

Prohibition of the importation of birds

3. No person shall import into Great Britain from any other country or part of a country any bird to which this Order applies.

Detention of birds found aboard ships

4.—(1) The master of every ship approaching any port shall, if he has reason to believe that a bird to which this Order applies is on board, bring this Order to the notice of the person having the custody or control of the bird and shall, immediately on arrival of the ship, notify the proper Officer of Customs and Excise accordingly.

(2) Where it appears to the proper Officer of Customs and Excise that there is a bird on board or if it comes to his notice that a bird is being imported in contravention of this Order, he shall, by notice in writing given to the master or to the importer, require that it shall not be removed from the ship, without the consent of a Veterinary Inspector or other Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The proper Officer of Customs and Excise shall, at the same time, notify an Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries of the serving of the notice.

(3) For the purposes of this Article "Master" means a person having the charge or command of a vessel (other than a pilot).

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (b) S.I. 1953/37, p. 1669 above. (c) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

Transhipment

5.—(1) The transhipment at a port in Great Britain of any bird to which this Order applies, brought from any other country is hereby prohibited unless such transhipment is authorised by a licence granted by a Veterinary Inspector or other Officer of the Ministry subject to such conditions, if any, as may be prescribed therein.

(2) Licences required to be obtained by this Article shall be delivered to the proper Officer of Customs and Excise at the port of transhipment.

In witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries is hereunto affixed this second day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

(L.S.) *Tom Dugdale,*
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order prohibits the importation of parrots and similar birds into Great Britain.

1953 No. 778

The Parrots and Miscellaneous Birds (Prohibition of Importation) (Amendment) Order, 1953

Made - - - -	1*st May*, 1953
Laid before Parliament	5*th May*, 1953
Coming into Operation	8*th May*, 1953

The Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in him by Sections 33, 49 and 85 of the Diseases of Animals Act, 1950(**a**), (as extended by the Diseases of Animals (Extension of Definition of Poultry) Order, 1953(**b**)), and of every other power enabling him in this behalf, hereby orders as follows:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Parrots and Miscellaneous Birds (Prohibition of Importation) (Amendment) Order, 1953, and shall come into operation on the eighth day of May, nineteen hundred and fifty-three.

2. In Article 3 of the Parrots and Miscellaneous Birds (Prohibition of Importation) Order, 1953(**c**), (which prohibits the importation into Great

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (b) S.I. 1953/37, p. 1669 above. (c) S.I. 1953/151, p. 1670 above.