1963 No. 1102

POULTRY

The Poultry and Hatching Eggs (Importation) (Amendment) Order 1963

Made - - - -	17*th June* 1963
Laid before Parliament	21*st June* 1963
Coming into Operation	27*th June* 1963

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretary of State, acting jointly, by virtue and in exercise of the powers vested in them under sections 33, 45, 49 and 85 of the Diseases of Animals Act 1950(a), and as adapted to air transport by section 11 of the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1954(b), and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order as follows:—

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Poultry and Hatching Eggs (Importation) (Amendment) Order 1963 and shall come into operation on 27th June 1963.

Amendments of principal Order

2.—(1) At the end of Article 1 of the Poultry and Hatching Eggs (Importation) Order of 1947(c), as amended (d), (which prohibits the landing in Great Britain of poultry, and poultry eggs intended for hatching, if they have been brought from, or have within the previous six months been in, any prohibited country as defined in the said Order) there shall be inserted the following Article:—

"1A.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in Article 1 of this Order the Minister may by licence authorise the landing in Great Britain of poultry, or poultry eggs, to which the said Article applies, if in special circumstances the Minister thinks it expedient so to do, subject to such poultry or poultry eggs (as the case may be) being detained on landing at a quarantine station to be specified in the licence and there tested for disease under the supervision of a veterinary inspector; and subject to such other conditions (if any) as may be specified in the licence.

(2) In this Article "the Minister" means, in its application to poultry, or poultry eggs, landed or intended to be landed in England and Wales, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, and in its corresponding application in relation to Scotland, the Secretary of State."

(2) At the end of Article 3 of the said Order of 1947 (which prohibits the use for hatching by any person of poultry eggs believed to have been

(a) 14 Geo. 6. c. 36. (b) 2 & 3 Eliz. 2. c. 39.
(c) S.R. & O. 1947/1426 (Rev. XVIII, p. 450: 1947 I, p. 1841).
(d) S.I. 1952/586, 1959/1788 (1952 III, p. 2627; 1959 II, p. 2207).

brought to Great Britain from a prohibited country) there shall be added the following proviso:—

"Provided that this Article shall not apply to poultry eggs in respect of which, on their being landed in Great Britain, a licence under Article 1A of this Order was in operation authorising them to be landed."

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 13th June 1963.

(L.S.) *Christopher Soames,*
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Given under the Seal of the Secretary of State for Scotland on 17th June 1963.

(L.S.) *Michael Noble,*
Secretary of State for Scotland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

Article 1 of the Poultry and Hatching Eggs Importation Order of 1947, as amended, prohibits the landing in Great Britain of poultry, or poultry eggs intended for hatching, if they have been brought from a prohibited country (as defined in that Order) or have within six months prior to arrival in Great Britain been in a prohibited country.

This Order, made under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950, modifies this prohibition by enabling the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food or the Secretary of State for Scotland in special circumstances, by licence, to authorise the landing of poultry or poultry eggs, subject to their being detained on landing at a quarantine station and tested for disease under the supervision of a veterinary inspector; and subject to any other conditions which may be specified in the licence.