STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1975 No. 726

PROTECTION OF WRECKS

The Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 2) Order 1975

Made - - - -	*29th April* 1975
Laid before Parliament	*8th May* 1975
Coming into Operation	*12th May* 1975

The Secretary of State, being satisfied that the site identified in Article 2 of this Order is the site of a vessel lying wrecked on the sea bed and that on account of the historical and archaeological importance of the objects contained or formerly contained in it which may be lying on the sea bed in or near the wreck, the site ought to be protected from unauthorised interference, after consulting with the persons referred to in section 1(4) of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973(**a**), in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 1(1), (2) and (4) of that Act and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf hereby orders as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Protection of Wrecks (Designation No. 2) Order 1975 and shall come into operation on 12th May 1975.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**b**) shall apply for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

2. The site in respect of which this Order is made is hereby identified as the site where the vessel believed to be HMS "Colossus" lies wrecked on the sea bed at Latitude 49°55′15″ North, Longitude 6°21′02″ West.

3. The area within a distance of 300 metres of Latitude 49°55′15″ North, Longitude 6°21′02″ West shall be a restricted area for the purposes of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973.

Stanley Clinton Davis,
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Companies, Aviation and Shipping, Department of Trade.

29th April 1975.

(**a**) 1973 c. 33.

(**b**) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order designates as a restricted area for the purposes of the Protection of Wrecks Act 1973 an area near Southward Well Rock, Isles of Scilly, round the site of the wreck of the vessel believed to be HMS "Colossus", which was lost in 1796 while carrying a collection of classical antiquities which are of historical and archaeological importance.

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