STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1967 No. 115

DEFENCE

The Royal Navy and Royal Marines Discharge by Purchase Regulations 1967

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The Defence Council in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by section 2 of the Armed Forces Act 1966(a) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following regulations:—

Citation and Commencement

1.—(1) These regulations may be cited as "The Royal Navy and Royal Marines Discharge by Purchase Regulations 1967" and shall come into operation on the 8th February 1967.

Discharge by Purchase

2.—(1) A recruit entered in naval service on or after the 8th February 1967 or enlisted to serve in the Royal Marines, on or after the same date, shall be entitled to claim his discharge at any time within the period of 14 days immediately preceding the expiry of the period of three months beginning with the date of his engagement or attestation and if he makes such claim he shall on payment of a sum not exceeding £20 be discharged with all convenient speed.

(2) If a claim under these regulations is made by a recruit entered in naval service at a time when ratings are retained in service in the Royal Navy under the powers conferred by section 4 of the Armed Forces Act 1966 he shall not be entitled to be discharged so long as they are so retained in service in the Royal Navy and if such a claim is made by a recruit enlisted to serve in the Royal Marines at a time when marines are retained in service in the Royal Marines under the powers conferred by section 210 and Schedule 7 of the Army Act 1955(b) as amended by section 13 and Schedule 3 of the Armed Forces Act 1966 he shall not be entitled to be discharged so long as they are so retained in service in the Royal Marines.

Interpretation

3.—(1) In these regulations the expression "recruit" means a person entered in naval service or enlisted to serve in the Royal Marines who has not been previously so entered or enlisted.

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

Dated 2nd February 1967.

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(a) 1966 c. 45. (b) 1955 c. 18. (c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations.)

These regulations give new recruits to the Royal Navy and Royal Marines the right to purchase their discharge (for £20) during the last 14 days of the first three months of their service.