STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 3) (Variation) Order 1977

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Laid before Parliament	*29th June* 1977
Coming into Operation	*30th June* 1977

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 4 and 20(1) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967(**a**) as the former section is amended by section 3 of the Fishery Limits Act 1976(**b**) and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf, and having regard to the rights and obligations of the United Kingdom as a member of the European Economic Community in accordance with section 2 of the European Communities Act 1972(**c**), hereby make the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as the Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 3) (Variation) Order 1977 and shall come into operation on 30th June 1977.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889 (**d**) shall apply to the interpretation of this order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Variation of principal order

2. The Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 3) Order 1977(**e**) shall be varied as follows—

(i) In article 3 (prohibition of fishing without a licence) the words from the beginning to "inclusive" shall be omitted.

(ii) The following paragraph shall be added to article 3—

> "There shall be excepted from the above prohibition such fishing as is authorised by a licence granted in accordance with Community Regulations by or on behalf of the European Economic Community."

(a) 1967 c. 84. (b) 1976 c. 86. (c) 1972 c. 68. (d) 1889 c. 63.
(e) S.I. 1977/942 (1977 II, p. 2624).

(iii) In column 3 of Schedule 2 the word "Sprat" shall be omitted.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 27th June 1977.

(L.S.)

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

Bruce Millan,
28th June 1977. Secretary of State for Scotland.

Roy Mason,
29th June 1977. Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

(*This Note is not part of the Order.*)

This Order varies the Sea Fishing (Specified Foreign Boats) Licensing (No. 3) Order 1977.

The principal variations are—

(1) the time during which fishing boats registered in specified foreign countries are prohibited from fishing in specified areas for specified descriptions of fish unless authorised by a licence granted by one of the fisheries Ministers is extended; and

(2) an exception is provided from the prohibition on fishing mentioned in (1) above where the fishing is authorised by a licence granted in accordance with Community Regulations by or on behalf of the European Economic Community.

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