restores to the Air Ministry the parallel functions (other than the production and supply of aircraft) which were transferred from the Air Ministry to the Ministry of Aircraft Production in 1940, and transferred in turn from the Ministry of Aircraft Production to the Ministry of Supply in 1946.

A draft Order in Council (entitled the Service Departments Supply (No. 2) Order) has been laid before Parliament under the Ministry of Supply Act, 1939, providing for the concurrent exercise by the Minister of Aviation of the functions restored to the War Office and Air Ministry by the present Order.

1959 No. 1975

The Service Departments Supply (No. 2) Order, 1959

Laid before Parliament in draft
Made - - - - *20th November,* 1959
Coming into Operation *23rd November,* 1959

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 20th day of November, 1959

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by the Service Departments Supply (No. 1) Order, 1959(a), provision is made for restoring to the Secretaries of State for War and Air, the Army Council and the Air Council, and their departments respectively certain functions transferred from them by the Ministry of Supply (Transfer of Powers) (No. 1) Order, 1939(b), and the Minister of Aircraft Production (Transfer of Functions) Order, 1940(c):

And Whereas the draft of this Order has been laid before Parliament in pursuance of section six of the Ministry of Supply Act, 1939(d), and has been approved by resolutions passed by each House:

Now therefore Her Majesty, in pursuance of section three of the said Act, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Service Departments Supply (No. 2) Order, 1959.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889(e), applies for the interpretation of this Order as it applies for the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

(3) This Order shall come into operation immediately after the coming into operation of the Service Departments Supply (No. 1) Order, 1959.

Concurrent functions of Minister of Aviation

2. The Minister of Aviation may exercise and perform concurrently with the Secretaries of State for War and Air, the Army Council and the Air Council, and the departments under their control, any of the functions vested in them respectively by virtue of the Service Departments Supply (No. 1) Order, 1959.

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(a) S.I. 1959/1827 (Pt. I, p. 1798, of this vol.).
(b) S.R. & O. 1939/877 (Rev. XV, p. 192: 1939 II, p. 3103).
(c) S.R. & O. 1940/762 (1940 I, p. 30). (d) 2 & 3 Geo. 6. c. 38. (e) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order in Council, made under s. 3 of the Ministry of Supply Act, 1939, authorises the Minister of Aviation to exercise concurrently with the War Office and the Air Ministry the functions restored to those departments by the Service Departments Supply (No. 1) Order, 1959.

1959 No. 1829

The Transfer of Functions (Construction of Ships) Order, 1959

Made - - - -	30*th October*, 1959
Laid before Parliament	2*nd November*, 1959
Coming into Operation	3*rd November*, 1959

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 30th day of October, 1959

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in pursuance of section one of the Ministers of the Crown (Transfer of Functions) Act, 1946(a), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

Citation, interpretation and commencement

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Transfer of Functions (Construction of Ships) Order, 1959.

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

(3) This Order shall come into operation on the third day of November, 1959.

Transfer to the Minister of Transport of control of construction of ships

2.—(1) There are hereby transferred to the Minister of Transport the following functions of the Admiralty, that is to say –

(*a*) their functions with respect to the construction of ships under Regulation 55 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939 (as set out in the Second Schedule to the Emergency Laws (Repeal) Act, 1959(c)), and, so far as relating to those functions, their functions under Regulation 55AA and Part V of those Regulations (as so set out);

(*b*) their functions under the Restriction of Construction of Ships Order, 1940(d) (which was made under the said Regulation 55);

and any reference in the aforementioned provisions to the Admiralty or to a competent authority within the meaning of the said Regulation 55 (which expression includes the Admiralty) shall be construed accordingly.

(2) This Order shall not affect the validity of anything done by or in relation to the Admiralty before the coming into operation of this Order;

(a) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 31. (b) 52 & 53 Vict. c. 63. (c) 7 & 8 Eliz. 2. c. 19.
(d) S.R. & O. 1940/143 (1940 II, p. 919).