STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1965 No. 1955

SOUTHERN RHODESIA

The Southern Rhodesia (Property in Passports) Order 1965

Made - - - - 16*th November* 1965
Laid before Parliament - 17*th November* 1965
Coming into Operation - 18*th November* 1965

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 16th day of November 1965

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 2 of the Southern Rhodesia Act 1965(a), is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows :—

1.—(1) This Order shall apply to any document purporting to be a passport or other document establishing a person's identity and nationality (hereafter in this Order referred to as " a passport ") issued on or after 11th November 1965 by, in the name of, on behalf of or under the authority of, any person or body of persons claiming to exercise any governmental functions in relation to Southern Rhodesia, not being a passport which is the property of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the preceding paragraph, the reference therein to any person or body of persons claiming to exercise governmental functions in relation to Southern Rhodesia shall include a reference to a person or body of persons claiming to be the Government of Southern Rhodesia or to be a Minister or Ministers of that Government or otherwise to be entitled to exercise authority on behalf of that Government.

2. A passport to which this Order applies may be dealt with within the United Kingdom as though it were the property of Her Majesty's Government therein and, accordingly—

(*a*) an immigration officer ;

(*b*) a constable, or

(*c*) any other person designated for the purpose by or on behalf of the Secretary of State,

may, if so authorised by or on behalf of the Secretary of State, take and retain possession of such a passport ; and any passport retained by virtue of this Order shall be disposed of in accordance with directions given by or on behalf of the Secretary of State.

3. This Order may be cited as the Southern Rhodesia (Property in Passports) Order 1965 and shall come into operation on 18th November 1965.

W. G. Agnew.

(a) 1965 c. 76.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides that a document which purports to be a Rhodesian passport issued on or after 11th November 1965 may be dealt with in the United Kingdom as though it were the property of the Government of the United Kingdom. Accordingly, authorised persons may take and retain possession of such a document.