EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

1. This Order supersedes the Control of Building Operations (No. 11) Order, 1948, which fixed for the period 1st July, 1948 to 30th June, 1949 the financial limits within which building or civil engineering work could be undertaken without authorisation or licence. The new Order takes effect from 1st November, 1948.

2. Under the new Order the requirement that local authorities and certain public utility undertakings should obtain an authorisation from a Government Department for certain operations will apply only to operations the total cost of which amounts to more than £1,000, instead of the limit of £100 under the former Order.

3. Under the former Order work might be done on any single property without a building licence if its cost, together with the cost of any previous work done without a licence since the 1st July, 1948, did not exceed £100. Under the new Order work may be done without a licence on certain special classes of building if the cost of that work, together with the cost of any previous work done on the property since the 1st July, 1948, does not exceed £1,000. The special classes of buildings to which the £1,000 limit applies may be described generally as (*a*) industrial buildings, (*b*) warehouses and storage buildings, (*c*) farm buildings other than dwellinghouses, (*d*) school, university and other educational buildings, (*e*) office buildings with a floor area of not less than 10,000 square feet.

4. In other respects the limits of cost permitted for unlicensed work remain unchanged.

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(9) CANALS AND INLAND NAVIGATIONS

The Traffic on Canals and Inland Navigations (Revocation) Order, 1948

1948 No. 2128

Made - - - -	*16th September*, 1948
Laid before Parliament	*20th September*, 1948
Coming into Operation	*2nd November*, 1948

In exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Regulation 70 of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939(**a**), as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**b**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947, and of all other powers him enabling, the Minister of Transport hereby makes the following Order:— 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.

1. The Traffic on Canals and Inland Navigations Order, 1942(**c**), and the Traffic on Canals and Inland Navigations (Amendment) Order, 1945(**d**), (which designate certain persons as Area Ice Traffic Controllers for specified areas and empower them to give directions prohibiting or regulating the use of craft on canals and inland navigations during conditions of ice) are hereby revoked.

(**a**) *See* Note, p. 15 above.
(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (No. 1623) II, p. 53.
(**c**) S.R. & O. 1942 (No. 2655) II, p. 449.
(**d**) S.R. & O. 1945 (No. 972) II, p. 339.

2. This Order shall come into operation on the second day of November, 1948, and may be cited as " The Traffic on Canals and Inland Navigations (Revocation) Order, 1948 ".

Given under the Official Seal of the Minister of Transport this sixteenth day of September, 1948.

(L.S.) *Alfred Barnes,*
The Minister of Transport.

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(10) CHECK TRADING

The Control of Check Trading Order, 1948

1948 No. 2705

Made - - - -	*14th December,* 1948
Laid before Parliament	*15th December,* 1948
Coming into Operation	*1st February,* 1949

The Board of Trade, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon them by Regulations 55 and 55AB of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939(**a**), as having effect by virtue of the Supplies and Services (Transitional Powers) Act, 1945(**b**), as extended by the Supplies and Services (Extended Purposes) Act, 1947(**c**), hereby order as follows:—

1. A person carrying on the business of check trading (hereinafter called " the check trader ") shall not charge or accept or cause or permit to be charged or accepted, in connection with any check to which this Order applies issued in the course of that business, amounts which in the aggregate exceed :—

(i) in the case of a check in relation to the issue of which the requirements specified in the Schedule hereto are satisfied, the aggregate of :—
  (*a*) the value of that check, that is to say, the retail cash selling price of the goods which can be obtained with that check ; and
  (*b*) an amount equal to 5 per cent. of that value ;
(ii) in the case of any other check, the value of the check.

2. No person who is or is to be able to obtain goods with any check to which this Order applies issued or to be issued in the course of the business of any check trader shall pay or cause or permit to be paid otherwise than to that check trader or his servant or agent duly authorised to accept the same any consideration (howsoever described) in connection with that check.

3. No person other than the check trader in the course of whose business a check to which this Order applies was or is to be issued or his servant or agent duly authorised so to do, shall accept any consideration (howsoever described) in connection with that check.

4.—(1) For the purposes of this Order, but without prejudice to the generality of any of the foregoing provisions thereof, any amount or other consideration (howsoever described) charged, paid or accepted by any person shall be deemed to be charged, paid or accepted by that person in connection with a check to which this Order applies if it is charged, paid or accepted in connection with :—

(*a*) the issue of that check ;

(**a**) *See* Note, p. 15 above.
(**b**) 9 & 10 Geo. 6. c. 10; and S.R. & O. 1945 (No. 1618) II, p. 48.
(**c**) 10 & 11 Geo. 6. c. 55.