STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1972 No. 1817

MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Tonnage Order 1972

Made - - -	*28th November* 1972
Laid before Parliament	*4th December* 1972
Coming into Operation	*1st January* 1973

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 28th day of November 1972

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by section 84(1) of the Merchant Shipping Act 1894(**a**) as amended by section 7 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1965(**b**) it is enacted that whenever it appears to Her Majesty the Queen in Council that the tonnage regulations of the said Act of 1894 have been adopted by any foreign country and are in force there, Her Majesty in Council may order that the ships of that country shall, without being remeasured in Her Majesty's dominions, be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers, in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes as the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of a British ship is deemed to be the tonnage of that ship:

And whereas it appears to Her Majesty that the tonnage regulations of the said Act of 1894 now in force and made under section 1 of the said Act of 1965 have been adopted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and are in force there:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred upon Her by the said section 84(1) as so amended, and of all other powers enabling Her in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics Tonnage Order 1972 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1973.

(2) The Interpretation Act 1889(**c**) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament and as if this Order and the Orders hereby revoked were Acts of Parliament.

(3) The Order made by Her Majesty in Council dated 20th November 1880 relating to the tonnage of merchant ships of Russia (**d**), the Estonian Tonnage Order 1926(**e**), the Latvian Tonnage Order 1927(**f**) and the Free City of Danzig Tonnage Order 1936(**g**) are hereby revoked.

(**a**) 1894 c. 60. (**b**) 1965 c. 47. (**c**) 1889 c. 63. (**d**) Rev. XIV, p. 20.
(**e**) S.R. & O. 1926/966 (Rev. XIV, p. 7: 1926, p. 1003).
(**f**) S.R. & O. 1927/678 (Rev. XIV, p. 14: 1927, p. 786).
(**g**) S.R. & O. 1936/764 (Rev. XIV, p, 9: 1936 I, p, 1808).

2. Ships of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics the tonnage of which is denoted in their certificates of registry or other national papers denoting tonnage shall be deemed to be of the tonnage denoted in such certificates of registry or other national papers, in the same manner, to the same extent, and for the same purposes as the tonnage denoted in the certificate of registry of a British ship is deemed to be the tonnage of that ship.

3. This Order shall apply to ships of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics when in the United Kingdom.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order provides that the tonnage shown in the certificates of registry or other national papers of ships of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics shall be recognised in the same way as the tonnage shown in the certificate of registry of a British ship.

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