STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1978 No. 930

SEA FISHERIES

BOATS AND METHODS OF FISHING

The West Coast Herring (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1978

Made - - - -	*5th July* 1978
Laid before Parliament	*5th July* 1978
Coming into Operation	*6th July* 1978

The Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, the Secretaries of State respectively concerned with the sea fishing industry in Scotland and Northern Ireland and the Secretary of State for Wales, jointly, in exercise of powers conferred by sections 5(1) and (2) and 15 of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967**(a)** (as section 15 is amended by section 22(1) of, and paragraph 38 of Schedule 1 to, the Sea Fisheries Act 1968**(b)** and as sections 5(2) and 15 are amended by section 9(1) of, and paragraph 16(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Fishery Limits Act 1976**(c)**) and now vested in them by virtue of Article 2(3) of the Transfer of Functions (Wales) (No. 1) Order 1978**(d)** and of all other powers enabling them in that behalf hereby make the following order:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

1.—(1) This order may be cited as The West Coast Herring (Prohibition of Fishing) Order 1978 and shall come into operation on 6th July 1978.

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

Prohibition

2. Fishing for herring (Clupea harengus) within the area specified in the Schedule to this order is hereby prohibited.

3. In accordance with section 5(3) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967, it is hereby declared that this order is not made for the sole purpose of giving effect to such a convention or agreement as is mentioned in section 5(1) of that Act.

Enforcement

4. For the purpose of the enforcement of this order, there are hereby conferred on every British sea-fishery officer the powers of a British sea-fishery officer under section 8(2) to (4) of the Sea Fisheries Act 1968 as sub-section (4) is amended by section 9(1) of, and paragraph 17(1) of Schedule 2 to, the Fishery Limits Act 1976.

(a) 1967 c. 84. **(b)** 1968 c. 77. **(c)** 1976 c. 86. **(d)** S.I. 1978/272.
(e) 1889 c. 63.

In Witness whereof the Official Seal of the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food is hereunto affixed on 5th July 1978.

John Silkin,
Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

5th July 1978.

Bruce Millan,
Secretary of State for Scotland.

5th July 1978.

Roy Mason,
Secretary of State for Northern Ireland.

5th July 1978.

John Morris,
Secretary of State for Wales.

Article 2

SCHEDULE

AREA TO WHICH THE ORDER APPLIES

The area of sea, lying within British fishery limits, and bounded by a line drawn from a point on the north coast of Scotland at 4° 00′ west longitude northwards to 60° 30′ north latitude; thence westwards to 5° 00′ west longitude; thence southwards to 60° 00′ north latitude; thence westwards to 12° 00′ west longitude; thence southwards to 54° 30′ north latitude; thence eastwards to the coast of the Republic of Ireland; thence generally northwards and eastwards along the coast of the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland to a point at 55° 00′ north latitude on the east coast of Northern Ireland; thence eastwards to a point on the west coast of Scotland; thence along a rhumb line in a northwesterly direction to the Mull of Kintyre; thence along the west and north coasts of Scotland to the point of beginning.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order prohibits the fishing for herring in the area of sea defined in the Schedule to the Order, and applies the powers of British sea-fishery officers for the purposes of enforcement of the Order.

By virtue of section 5(8) of the Sea Fish (Conservation) Act 1967 the Order applies to all fishing boats including foreign vessels.

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