STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Oil in Navigable Waters (Convention Countries) (United States of America) Order, 1961

Made - - - -	*27th November*, 1961
Laid before Parliament	*1st December*, 1961
Coming into Operation	*8th December*, 1961

At the Court of Saint James, the 27th day of November, 1961

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother

Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon

Lord President	**Lord Carrington**
Earl of Perth	**Mr. Secretary Amery**

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the eighth day of November, 1961, to delegate to the following Counsellors of State (subject to the exceptions hereinafter mentioned) or any two or more of them, that is to say, His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, His Royal Highness The Duke of Kent and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval for anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And whereas Her Majesty was further pleased to except from the said Counsellors of State His Royal Highness Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, and Her Royal Highness The Princess Alexandra of Kent while absent from the United Kingdom:

And whereas by subsection (3) of section 18 of the Oil in Navigable Waters Act, 1955(a), it is enacted that for the purposes of that section Her Majesty, if satisfied that the government of any country has accepted the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954, may by Order in Council make a declaration to that effect:

And whereas Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, are satisfied that the Government of the United States of America has accepted the said Convention of 1954:

(a) 3 & 4 Eliz. 2. c. 25.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother and Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent, and in pursuance of the powers conferred by the aforesaid section and of all other powers in that behalf, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. For the purposes of section 18 of the Oil in Navigable Waters Act, 1955, it is hereby declared that the Government of the United States of America has accepted the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil, 1954.

2. This Order shall come into operation on the eighth day of December, 1961, and may be cited as the Oil in Navigable Waters (Convention Countries) (United States of America) Order, 1961.

W. G. Agnew.