STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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MERCHANT SHIPPING

The Merchant Shipping (Protection of Shipping and Trading Interests) (USSR) Order 1986

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Whereas the Secretary of State for Transport is satisfied that the Government of the Union of the Soviet Socialist Republics (hereinafter called "the USSR") and undertakings appearing to him to be, or to be acting on behalf of, undertakings which are in effect owned or controlled (directly or indirectly) by the USSR, have adopted measures or practices concerning or affecting the carriage of goods by sea which are damaging or threaten to damage the shipping or trading interests of the United Kingdom:

And whereas the Secretary of State requires certain information for the purposes of enabling him to determine what further action to take under section 14 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1974(**a**) (hereinafter called "the Act"):

And whereas the Secretary of State has held the consultations required by section 14(7) of the Act:

Now therefore the Secretary of State, in exercise of his powers under section 14(2) and (6) of the Act and of all other powers except section 14(3) of the Act enabling him in that behalf hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Merchant Shipping (Protection of Shipping and Trading Interests) (USSR) Order 1986 and shall come into operation on 28th March 1986.

2.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4) below, any person in the United Kingdom, being a carrier operating a ship registered in the USSR, or an agent of such person shall, in respect of such a ship which calls at any port in the United Kingdom to load or unload cargo destined for, or consigned from, the places listed in paragraph (3) below, within 4 weeks of such loading or unloading, provide the Secretary of State for Transport with the information set out in paragraph (2) below.

(2) The information required is as follows:

(*a*) the name of the ship;

(*b*) the name and address of the carrier;

(**a**) 1974 c. 43; section 14 was amended by the Merchant Shipping Act 1979 (c. 39), section 40.

(*c*) date of arrival of the ship at and departure from the port in the United Kingdom;

(*d*) cargoes loaded and unloaded, listed by:

(i) commodity as declared for customs purposes;

(ii) tonnage per commodity (by tonnes and by cubic capacity);

(*e*) where containers are used, the number of TEUs (Twenty-foot Equivalent Units) loaded and unloaded;

(*f*) actual freight rates charged, and any surcharges applied.

(3) The places referred to in paragraph (1) above are all ports in:

(*a*) East Africa (Somalia, Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique);

(*b*) the Far East (Japan, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Republic of Korea, Thailand); and

(*c*) Central America (Nicaragua, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Honduras, Panama, Belize, Guatemala).

(4) No person is required to supply the information referred to in paragraph (1) above if that information has been supplied by another person.

Nicholas Ridley,
Secretary of State for Transport.

24th February 1986.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

This Order requires certain persons in the United Kingdom connected with Soviet shipping lines to provide information to the Secretary of State concerning carryings by Soviet lines in the trades between the United Kingdom and East Africa, the United Kingdom and the Far East and the United Kingdom and Central America. The information need only be supplied by one person in relation to the ship. The information is required to enable the Secretary of State to decide what further action (if any) to take under section 14 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1974 to countervail the damage or threatened damage caused to British shipping by measures or practices adopted by the USSR and USSR shipping lines.

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