

extended and amended by subsequent Orders in Council, and it is expedient further to amend the provisions of the principal Order in manner hereinafter appearing :

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendments be made in the principal Order :—

1. At the end of Article 22A the following sub-sections shall be added :—

“(10) Any powers conferred by virtue of this Article on the Minister of Munitions may be exercised on behalf of the Minister by any person or persons deputed by the Minister for the purpose.

“(11) Where it appears to a Secretary of State, on the recommendation of the Admiralty or Army Council, that it is necessary or expedient so to do with a view to the safety of the Realm, he may by Order direct that all or any of the provisions of this Article shall apply to work of any class or description specified in the Order as they apply to munitions work, and any provisions so applied shall thereupon have effect as if references to munitions work included references to work of any class or description so specified, and any such Order may provide for such modification of any provisions so applied as may appear necessary in order to make this Article applicable to the work in question, and in particular for the substitution as respects such work of some other Government Department for the Minister of Munitions.

2. Article 25 shall be amended as follows :—

In the paragraphs numbered (a), (b) and (c) after the word “are” wherever that word occurs there shall be inserted the words “or have recently been”; and for the words “shall be kept closed either altogether or” there shall be substituted the words “shall be either closed altogether or kept closed.”

3. The following Article shall be inserted after Article 25B :—

*Power to grant Exemption to British-born Women.*

“25c. A Secretary of State may grant, in such form and subject to such conditions as he may think fit, to any alien who, being a married woman or a widow, was before her marriage a natural-born British Subject, a certificate of exemption from all or any of the provisions of this Part of this Order.”

4. The following Article shall be inserted after Article 27B :—

*Continuing Offences.*

“27c. Where any offence under this Order, or any Order revoked by this Order, consists of failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Order requiring any particulars to be furnished, or any report or return to be made, or any notice to be given, the offence shall, for the purposes of this Order, be deemed to have continued so long as such failure continues, whether or not any time is specified at or within which the particulars, report, return, or statement are to be furnished, made, or given.”

5. The following sub-section shall be substituted for sub-section (1) of Article 34 :—

“(1) This Order may be cited as the Aliens Restriction Order.”

6. The following Article shall be inserted after Article 35 :—

*Previous Operation of Revoked and Amended Articles.*

“36. The fact that any Article or any provision contained in any Article of this Order is, or has been, revoked or superseded shall not affect, and shall be deemed not to have affected, the previous operation of the Article or provision so revoked or superseded, or the validity of any action taken under any such Article or provision, or any penalty or punishment incurred in respect of any contravention or failure to comply with any such Article or provision, or any proceeding or remedy in respect of any such penalty or punishment.”

ALMERIC FITZROY.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 22nd day of August 1917.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

Whereas by the Military Service (Conventions with Allied States) Act, 1917, it is provided that His Majesty may by Order in Council, signifying that a convention or agreement has been made with an allied country which imposes a mutual liability to military service on British subjects in that country and subjects of that country in the United Kingdom, direct that the said Act shall have effect with respect to that allied country and the subjects of that allied country, but that no such Order in Council shall be made unless the following conditions are fulfilled, that is to say :—

- (a) Unless the convention or agreement secures to His Majesty's Ambassador or other public Minister in the allied country power to grant to British subjects in that country exemption from military service ;
- (b) Unless the convention or agreement contains provisions to the effect that British subjects in the allied country and subjects of the allied country in the United Kingdom shall before being liable to military service have an opportunity if they make an application for the purpose of returning to the United Kingdom or the allied country as the case may be ;

And it is further provided that such Order in Council shall not be made until the expiration of thirty days from the date on which the convention or agreement is laid before Parliament :

And whereas an agreement dated the sixteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and seventeen, has been concluded between His Majesty's Government and the Provisional Government of Russia relative to the reciprocal liability to military service of British subjects resident in Russia and Russian subjects resident in Great Britain and the said agreement complies with the conditions aforesaid :

And whereas the said agreement was laid before Parliament on the nineteenth day of July, nineteen hundred and seventeen :