

the amounts due in respect of claims by British nationals with regard to their property, rights, and interests, including companies and associations in which they are interested in German territory, or debts owing to them by German nationals, and with payment of any compensation awarded by the Mixed Arbitral Tribunal, or by an arbitrator appointed by that Tribunal in pursuance of paragraph (e) of Article 297, and with payment of claims growing out of acts committed by the German Government or by German authorities since the thirty-first day of July, and before the fourth day of August nineteen hundred and fourteen; and

(b) secondly, with payment of the amounts due in respect of claims by British nationals with regard to their property, rights, and interests in the territories of Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria, and Turkey, in so far as those claims are not otherwise satisfied.

Provided that any particular property, rights, or interests so charged may at any time, if His Majesty thinks fit, be released from the charge so created.

(xvii) With a view to making effective and enforcing such charge as aforesaid—

(a) no person shall, without the consent of the Custodian, transfer, part with, or otherwise deal in any property, right, or interest subject to the charge, and if he does so he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding three months or to both such imprisonment and fine;

(b) every person owning or having the control or management of any property, right, or interest subject to the charge (including where the property, right, or interest consists of shares, stocks, or other securities issued by a company, municipal authority, or other body, or any right or interest therein such company, authority, or body) shall, unless particulars thereof have already been furnished to the Custodian in accordance with the Trading with the Enemy Acts, 1914 to 1918, within one month from the date when this Order comes into operation by notice in writing communicate the fact to the Custodian, and shall furnish the Custodian with such particulars in relation thereto as the Custodian may require, and if any person fails to do so he shall on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding one hundred pounds;

(c) where the property charged consists of inscribed or registered stock, shares, or other securities, any company, municipal authority, or other body by whom the securities were issued or are managed shall, on application being made by the Custodian, enter the Custodian in the books in which the securities are inscribed or registered as the proprietor of the securities subject to the charge, and the Custodian shall, subject to the consent of the Board of Trade, have power to sell or otherwise deal with the securities as proprietor of which he is so registered or inscribed.

(d) the Board of Trade may by order vest in the Custodian any property, rights, and interests subject to the charge, or the right to transfer the same, and for that purpose section four of the Trading with the Enemy (Amendment) Act, 1916, shall apply as if such property, rights, and interests were property belonging to an enemy or enemy subject;

(e) if any person called upon to pay any money or to transfer or otherwise to deal with any property, rights, or interests has reason to suspect that the same are subject to such charge as aforesaid he shall before paying, transferring, or dealing with the same report the matter to the Custodian and shall comply with any directions that the Custodian may give with respect thereto.

(xviii) The time at which the period of prescription or limitation of right of action referred to in Article 300 shall begin again to run shall be at the expiration of six months after the coming into force of the Treaty, and the period to be allowed within which the presentation of negotiable instruments for acceptance or payment and notice of non-acceptance or non-payment or protest may be made under Article 300 shall be six months from the coming into force of the Treaty.

(xix) Rules made during the war by any recognised Exchange or Commercial Association providing for the closure of contracts entered into before the war by an enemy and any action taken thereunder are hereby confirmed subject to the provisos contained in paragraph 4 (a) of the Annex to Section V. of Part X. of the Treaty.

(xx) There shall be imposed on rights of industrial, literary or artistic property (with the exception of trade marks) acquired before or during the war, or which may be acquired hereafter, by German nationals, such limitations, conditions, or restrictions as the Board of Trade may prescribe, for the purpose, in the manner, in the circumstances, and subject to the limitations, contained in Article 306 of the Treaty, and any transfer in whole or in part or other dealing with any rights so acquired as aforesaid effected since the first day of August nineteen hundred and fourteen, shall if and so far as it is inconsistent with any limitations, conditions, or restrictions so imposed be void and of no effect.

(xxi) So far as may be necessary for the purpose of Article 307 the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks (Temporary Rules) Act, 1914 (except paragraph (b) of section one of the Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks (Temporary Rules) (Amendment) Act, 1914), shall in relation to German nationals continue in force after the Treaty comes into force as if references therein to subjects of a State at war with His Majesty included references to German nationals.

(xxii) The duly qualified tribunal for the purposes of Article 310 of the Treaty shall be the Comptroller-General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks.

2. For the purposes of this Order—

The expression "enemy debt" has the meaning assigned to it by paragraph 2.