

At the Court at *Buckingham Palace*, the 27th day of *April*, 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS it is enacted by Section 1 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, that it shall be lawful for His Majesty to appoint a Minister of National Service under the title of Director-General of National Service; and that the Director-General of National Service (hereinafter referred to as the Director-General) shall have such powers and duties of any Government Department or authority, whether conferred by statute or otherwise, as His Majesty may by Order in Council transfer to him or authorize him to exercise or perform concurrently with or in consultation with the Government Department or authority concerned:

And whereas by virtue of Section 14 of the New Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, as applied by sub-section (2) of Section 2 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, where any powers or duties are transferred by virtue of the said last-mentioned Act the transfer is to take effect as from a date to be fixed by Order of His Majesty in Council, and different dates may be fixed for different powers and duties:

And whereas by the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, the powers and duties mentioned in the Schedule thereto were transferred to the Director-General as from the first day of November, 1917, subject to the provision contained in the said Order enabling the Director-General by order from time to time to postpone the operation of the said Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, either generally or as respects any particular area in the United Kingdom, or as respects the transfer of any particular power or duty to a date or dates not later than the first day of May, 1918:

And whereas by orders of the Director-General dated respectively the 31st October, 1917, the 20th December, 1917, and the 20th February, 1918, the operation of the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, has been from time to time postponed as respects Ireland until the first day of May, 1918, but save as aforesaid the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, came into operation on the 1st November, 1917:

And whereas it is expedient further to postpone the operation of the said Order as respects Ireland:

Now, therefore, His Majesty, in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the said recited Acts and of other powers enabling Him in that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. Notwithstanding anything in paragraph 6 of the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, the Director-General may by order appoint a date later than the first day of May, 1918, as the date on which the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917, shall come into operation either as respects Ireland or as respects any particular area in Ireland, and either generally or as respects any particular power or duty transferred under that order, and that order shall not come into operation as respects Ireland except as may be appointed by the Director-General under this provision.

2. The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to

the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

3. This Order shall come into operation forthwith and may be cited as the Ministry of National Service Order, 1918.

Almeric FitzRoy.

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WHEREAS provision is made by section eight of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, for the establishment of an Air Council consisting of one of His Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, who is to be President of the Air Council, and of certain other members:

And whereas it is enacted by section thirteen of the Air Force (Constitution) Act, 1917, that His Majesty may by Order in Council apply, with the necessary modifications and adaptations, in relation to the Air Council, the President of the Air Council, and the Air Force, and the officers and men thereof, and air force property or institutions, any of the enactments relating to the Army Council, the Secretary of State for the War Department, the Army, or the officers and soldiers thereof (including enactments conferring any powers, rights, exemption or abatement from taxation or immunities, or imposing any duties or disabilities on such officers or soldiers), or to military property or institutions:

And whereas the provisions of section one of the Rules Publication Act, 1893, have been complied with:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The enactments specified in the first column of the Schedule to this Order, being enactments relating to the Secretary of State for the War Department or the Army, shall apply so as to confer on the President of the Air Council all such powers, rights, and privileges in relation to the acquisition and holding of land for the use of the Air Force, or for Air Force services or purposes, and in relation to the management, use, and disposal in any manner of land acquired for use of the Air Force or for Air Force services or purposes, as are under the said enactments at the date of this Order vested in His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department in relation to the acquisition and holding of land for military purposes or for the service of the War Department and in relation to the management, use, and disposal of land acquired for military purposes or for the services of the War Department, and the said enactments as in force at the date of this Order shall apply and have effect in relation to the President of the Air Council and the Air Force with the modifications and adaptations set out in the second column of the said Schedule.

2. This Order may be cited as the Air Force (Application of Enactments) (No. 1) Order, 1918.

Almeric FitzRoy.

[SCHEDULE.]