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CENTRAL CHANCERY OF THE ORDERS OF KNIGHTHOOD.

St. James's Palace, S.W.1.

15th July, 1955.

The QUEEN has been graciously pleased to approve the award of the British Empire Medal (Military Division) to the undermentioned:—

Naval Airman 1st Class William RAE, L/FX. 882450.

Naval Airman 1st Class Michael Charles STAINES, L/FX. 918048.

On 9th March, 1955, a Sea Hornet crashed on take-off at the Royal Naval Air Station, Hal Far, Malta, and burst into flames. Stone walls prevented the rescue tender from approaching close to the aircraft.

Well aware of the limited protection which their clothing afforded in an uncontrollable fire, and the risk of being covered in burning fuel from a tank explosion, Naval Airmen RAE and STAINES, members of the Firefighting Crew, at once climbed on to the blazing aircraft in order to release the pilot who was trapped in the cockpit. They cut away the pilot's safety harness and had begun to drag him free when an explosion occurred which blew them both off the cockpit. Although shaken they climbed back and freed the pilot and carried him clear of the aircraft. Both ratings showed complete disregard of danger in their efforts to save the pilot, who later died of his burns.

Treasury Chambers, S.W.1.

The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that They have made an Order under Sections 1 and 19 of the Import Duties Act, 1932, Section 10 of the Finance Act, 1934, Section 7 of the Finance Act, 1936, and Section 1 of the Import Duties (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1939, viz.:—

The Import Duties (Exemptions) (No. 7) Order, 1955, which continues until 18th September, 1956, the existing exemption from duty under the Import Duties Act, 1932, of the iron and steel goods specified in Part I of the Schedule to the Order; and exempts until 18th March, 1956, the iron and steel goods specified in Part II of the Schedule (some of which were previously exempted until 18th September, 1955). The Order also exempts until 18th March, 1956, ferro-manganese of the composition specified in Part III of the Schedule.

The Order comes into operation on the 22nd July, 1955, and has been published as Statutory Instruments 1955, No. 1031.

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TENDERS FOR TREASURY BILLS.

1. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury hereby give notice that Tenders will be received at the Chief Cashier's Office, at the Bank of England, on Friday, the 22nd July, 1955, at 1 p.m. for Treasury Bills to be issued under the Treasury Bills Act, 1877, the National Debt Act, 1889, and the National Loans Act, 1939, to the amount of £240,000,000.

2. The Bills will be in amounts of £5,000, £10,000, £25,000, £50,000 or £100,000. They will be dated at the option of the tenderer on any business day from Monday, the 25th July, 1955, to Saturday, the 30th July, 1955, inclusive, and will be due 91 days after date.

3. The Bills will be issued and paid at the Bank of England.

4. Each Tender must be for an amount not less than £50,000, and must specify the date on which the Bills required are to be dated, and the net amount per cent. (being an even multiple of one penny) which will be given for the amount applied for. Separate Tenders must be lodged for Bills of different dates.

5. Tenders must be made through a London Banker, Discount House or Broker.

6. Notification will be sent by post on the same day as Tenders are received, to the persons whose Tenders are accepted in whole or in part, and payment in full of the amounts due in respect of such accepted Tenders must be made to the Bank of England by means of cash or a Banker's Draft on the Bank of England not later than 1.30 p.m. (Saturday 11.30 a.m.) on the day on which the relative Bills are to be dated.

7. Members of the House of Commons are not precluded from tendering for these Bills.

8. Tenders must be made on the printed forms which may be obtained from the Chief Cashier's Office, Bank of England.

9. The Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury reserve the right of rejecting any Tenders.

Treasury Chambers.

15th July, 1955.

Whitehall, July 15, 1955.

The QUEEN has been pleased by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the Realm, bearing date the 11th instant, to confer the dignity of a Baronet of the United Kingdom upon Sir George Horatio Nelson of Hilcote Hall in the County of Stafford, Knight, and the heirs male of his body lawfully begotten.