
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1970 No. 1537

The Secretary of State for Trade and Industry Order 1970

Style, seal and acts of Secretary of State for Trade and Industry

4.—(1) The person who at the coming into operation of this Order is Secretary of State for Trade and Industry and his successors shall be, by that name, a corporation sole (with a corporate seal), but so that anything done by or in relation to any other Secretary of State for the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry as a corporation sole shall have effect as if done by or in relation to the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry.

(2) The corporate seal of the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry shall be authenticated by the signature of a Secretary of State, or of a Secretary to the Department of Trade and Industry, or of a person authorised by a Secretary of State to act in that behalf.

(3) The corporate seal of the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry shall be officially and judicially noticed, and every document purporting to be an instrument made or issued by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry and to be sealed with that seal authenticated in the manner provided by paragraph (2) above, or to be signed or executed by a Secretary to the Department of Trade and Industry or a person authorised as aforesaid, shall be received in evidence and be deemed to be so made or issued without further proof, unless the contrary is shown.

(4) A certificate signed by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry that any instrument purporting to be made or issued by him was so made or issued shall be conclusive evidence of that fact.

5. In Schedule 2 to the Parliamentary Commissioner Act 1967 after the entry for the Board of Trade there shall be inserted the entry “Department of Trade and Industry”, and in note 5 (which extends the reference to the Board of Trade so as to include certain bodies exercising delegated functions) after the words “the Board of Trade” there shall be inserted the words “or the Department of Trade and Industry”.