Use of Premises for Discharge of Firearms, &c.

REGULATION DATED THE 18TH DAY OF MAY, 1922, UNDER THE CIVIL AUTHORITIES (SPECIAL POWERS) ACT (NORTHERN IRELAND), 1922, PROHIBITING THE USE OF PREMISES FOR PURPOSES PREJUDICIAL TO THE PRESERVATION OF THE PEACE.

1922. No. 33.

Whereas certain Regulations for Peace and Order in Northern Ireland are contained in the Schedule to the Civil Authorities (Special Powers) Act (Northern Ireland), 1922, and it is provided by sub-section (3) of Section 1 of the said Act that the Minister of Home Affairs shall have power to make Regulations (a) for making further provision for the Preservation of the Peace and Maintenance of Order, and (b) for varying or revoking any provision of the Regulations, whether contained in the said Schedule, or made as aforesaid, and that any Regulations made as aforesaid shall, subject to the provisions of the said Act, have effect and be enforced in like manner as Regulations contained in the said Schedule :

Now, therefore, I, The Right Honourable Sir Richard Dawson Bates, Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, do make the following Regulation for the making further provision for the Preservation of the Peace and Maintenance of Order, and the said Regulation shall be enforced and have effect in like manner as Regulations contained in the said Schedule, and the said Regulation now made, and the Regulations contained in said Schedule shall have effect and be construed as if the said Regulation now made formed part of said Regulations in said Schedule, that is to say—

18A. Where for any purpose prejudicial to the Preservation of the Peace and Maintenance of Order in Northern Ireland any house, yard or other premises is, or has been, used, adapted or fitted up for or contains any device calculated to facilitate the discharge of firearms, or the throwing of bombs therefrom, or the escape of persons from arrest, or the obstruction of the forces of the Crown in searching such premises, or the commission of any other act prejudicial to the Preservation of the Peace or the Maintenance of Order in Northern Ireland, every person owning, having control of, frequenting or occupying such house, yard or other premises, shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations unless he proves that he did not know and had no reason to suspect that the house, yard or other premises was, or had been so used, adapted or fitted up for, or contained any such device, as aforesaid. For the purpose of this Regulation every person

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for the time being entitled to the receipt of the rack rent of the premises, shall be deemed to be a person owning such premises.

The Civil Authority may by Order require every person residing in or occupying such house, yard or other premises forthwith to vacate the same, and, whether so requiring or not, may by Order require such house, yard or other premises either to be closed altogether, or such alterations to be made therein as may be specified in such Order, as being necessary for preventing any such unlawful use as aforesaid of such house, yard or other premises, or not to be used except in accordance with conditions and restrictions imposed by the Order, and it shall be lawful to take such steps to restore the premises to proper condition and generally as may be necessary to enforce compliance with the Order.

If any person contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of any Order made under this Regulation, he shall be guilty of an offence against these Regulations.

Given under my hand at Belfast, this 18th day of May, 1922.

R. Dawson Bates,

Minister of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, Civil Authority.

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Visiting Committees.

Order of the Lord Lieutenant, dated 29th June, 1922, as to the Appointment of Visiting Committees in Prisons in Northern Ireland.

By the Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland. FITZÁLAN OF DERWENT.

1922. No. 42.

Whereas by the 24th Section of the General Prisons (Ireland) Act, 1877, it is enacted that from and after the 1st day of April, 1878, a Visiting Committee shall at such time in each year, and in such manner as the Lord Lieutenant shall by Order from time to time prescribe, be appointed by the Grand Jury of every County