Belfast Harbour (Decontamination).

THE BELFAST HARBOUR (DECONTAMINATION) (NORTHERN IRELAND)
ORDER, 1942, DATED 23rd MARCH, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY
OF PUBLIC SECURITY FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION
25 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1942. No. 41.

Whereas, by the Delegation of Emergency Powers (Northern Ireland) Order, 1940, made on 2nd October, 1940, by the Secretary of State under Regulation 102A (1) of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, the Secretary of State delegated his powers as respects Northern Ireland under Regulation 25 of the said Regulations to the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland:

Now, THEREFORE, the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers so delegated to it, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby orders as follows:—

1.—The provisions of this Order shall apply to the area within the jurisdiction of the Belfast Harbour Commissioners.

2.—In this Order—

"the Harbour Authority" means the Belfast Harbour Commissioners;

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- "the Harbour" means the Belfast Harbour as defined in the Belfast Harbour Act, 1882.
- "vessel" has the same meaning as in the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894;
- "contaminated" means contaminated by any lethal gas or other noxious substance in consequence of war operations;
- 'authorised officer' means a person authorised in writing by the Secretary to the Belfast Harbour Commissioners to execute and enforce the provisions of this Order.
- 3.—(1) The Harbour Authority may direct the master or any person having the management of or for the time being in charge of a vessel which is contaminated forthwith to decontaminate the vessel.
- (2) The Harbour Authority may direct the owner of goods which are contaminated or the person by whom the entry of the goods at the Custom House is made (each of whom is hereinafter referred to as "the owner") forthwith to remove the goods to such place as may be specified in the direction and either to destroy or to decontaminate the goods.
- (3) The Harbour Authority may under arrangements approved by the <u>Ministry of Public Security</u> provide such services as may be necessary for the execution of any directions given under the two

preceding sub-paragraphs and if the Harbour Authority is of opinion that the master or person for the time being in charge of any vessel or the owner of any goods has failed or is unable to comply with any such direction, the Harbour Authority may itself execute the direction and may for that purpose employ the services so provided and any expense incurred by the Authority in connection with the employment of those services shall be recoverable from the owner or master of the vessel or the owner of the goods respectively summarily as a civil debt.

- 4. (1) Any authorised officer who has reason to believe that a vessel or its cargo is contaminated may detain and board such vessel and examine the vessel and its cargo, and if on such examination the authorised officer finds that any part of the vessel or its cargo is contaminated the Harbour Authority may give such directions as to the position within the Harbour at which the vessel shall lie as they consider necessary or expedient in order to prevent the contamination of persons or things.
- (2) A vessel which has been contaminated shall not without the consent of the Harbour Authority be moved from the position within the Harbour at which it has been directed to lie by the Harbour-Authority under this paragraph until the vessel and its cargo (if any) have been certified by an authorised officer to be free from contamination.
- 5.—(1) An authorised officer who has reason to believe that any goods are contaminated may enter any premises in which such goods may be lying and examine the premises and goods.
- (2) Goods which have been contaminated shall not without the consent of the Harbour Authority be removed until certified by an authorised officer to be free from contamination.
- (3) The Harbour Authority shall render an account to the proper officer of Customs and Excise of all goods which have not been cleared out of Customs charge and which have been removed under the provisions of paragraph 3 (2) of this Order, stating the specified place to which they have been removed and shall furnish to the said officer a certificate of destruction in respect of such goods which have been destroyed; and such goods which have not been destroyed at such place shall not be removed therefrom without the authority of the proper officer of Customs and Excise.
- 6.—If any person has reason to believe that any vessel or goods is or are contaminated he shall forthwith give notice thereof to such persons and in such manner as the Harbour Authority may require.
- 7.—Until a vessel or any place, the property of the Harbour Authority, which has been contaminated has been certified by an authorised officer to be free from contamination no person shall enter or attempt

to enter such vessel or place except with the consent of an authorised officer and a person to whom such consent is given shall comply with such directions (whether general or special) as the Harbour Authority may consider necessary or expedient in order to prevent the contamination of persons or things.

8.—This Order may be cited as "the Belfast Harbour (Decontamination) (Northern Ireland) Order, 1942."

Sealed with the Official Seal of the Ministry of Public Security this twenty-third day of March, Nineteen hundred and forty-two, in the presence of

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(Signed) Arthur Acheson Farrell,
Assistant Secretary.

Londonderry Port and Harbour (Decontamination).

THE LONDONDERRY PORT AND HARBOUR (DECONTAMINATION) (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER, 1942, DATED 20TH MAY, 1942, MADE BY THE MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SECURITY FOR NORTHERN IRELAND UNDER REGULATION 25 OF THE DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1939.

1942. No. 76.

Whereas, by the Delegation of Emergency Powers (Northern Ireland) Order, 1940, made on 2nd October, 1940, by the Secretary of State under Regulations 102A (1) of the Defence (General) Regulations, 1939, the Secretary of State delegated his powers as respects Northern Ireland under Regulation 25 of the said Regulations to the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland:

Now, THEREFORE, the Ministry of Public Security for Northern Ireland, in pursuance of the powers so delegated to it, and of all other powers enabling it in that behalf hereby orders as follows:—

1.—The provisions of this Order shall apply to the area within the jurisdiction of the Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners.

2.—In this Order—

- "the Harbour Authority" means the Londonderry Port and Harbour Commissioners;
- "the Harbour" means the Londonderry Port and Harbour as defined in the Londonderry Port and Harbour Act, 1854;