

Coal Industry Act 1977

1977 CHAPTER 39

Other provisions

11 Overseas activities

- (1) Section 1 of the Act of 1946 (which states the Board's duties and powers) shall not be limited by section 63(3) of that Act (references in that Act to activities to be limited to activities in Great Britain).
- (2) Without prejudice to the effect of subsection (1) above, the Board shall have power to do anything outside Great Britain—
 - (a) which appears to the Board requisite, advantageous or convenient, and
 - (b) which the Board are required or authorised to do in Great Britain,

whether or not what is done under this subsection is related to the working and getting of coal in Great Britain.

- (3) For the avoidance of doubt it is hereby declared that subsection (2) above authorises the Board to work and get coal outside Great Britain.
- (4) The Board shall not do anything outside Great Britain except—
 - (a) with the consent in writing of the Secretary of State, and
 - (b) if it involves capital expenditure by the Board, or the guaranteeing by the Board of any liability, with the consent of the Secretary of State given with the approval of the Treasury.
- (5) Subsection (4) above shall not apply to—
 - (a) selling or supplying for export,
 - (b) supplying imported goods in Great Britain.
- (6) Subsection (4) above shall not apply to anything done with consent given under section 5(1) of the Act of 1971 (technical assistance under section 1(1) of the Overseas Aid Act 1966).

- (7) This section shall not affect the National Coal Board (Additional Powers) Act 1966 (petroleum and natural gas) and no account shall be taken of that Act for the purposes of subsection (2) above.
- (8) Section 2 of the Coal Industry Act 1949, which is superseded by this section, shall cease to have effect.