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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1960 No. 2215**

**The British Nationality (Cyprus) Order 1960**

1.—(1) Subject to the proviso to subsection (1) of section four of the Cyprus Act, 1960, and to this Article, any person who, immediately before the sixteenth day of February, 1961, is a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies shall cease to be such a citizen on that day if he possesses any of the qualifications specified in paragraph 2 of Section 2 of Annex D to the Treaty concerning the Establishment of the Republic of Cyprus concluded on the sixteenth day of August, 1960 (which Annex is set out in the Schedule to this Order and is hereinafter referred to as “Annex D”):

Provided that if any person would, on ceasing to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies under this paragraph, become stateless, he shall not cease to be such a citizen thereunder until the sixteenth day of August, 1961.

(2) A person shall not cease to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies under this Article if he possesses any of the qualifications specified in paragraph 2 of Section 3 of Annex D; and for the purposes of this paragraph—

- (a) save as hereinafter provided, any expression used in the said paragraph 2 shall be construed as having the same meaning as in the British Nationality Act, 1948;
- (b) the reference in sub-paragraph (b) of the said paragraph 2 to a person naturalised in the United Kingdom and Colonies shall include a person who would, if living immediately before the commencement of the British Nationality Act, 1948, have become a person naturalised in the United Kingdom and Colonies by virtue of subsection (6) of section thirty-two of that Act (which relates to persons given local naturalisation before that commencement in a colony or protectorate);
- (c) the protectorates of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland shall be excepted from the operation of any reference to a protectorate in sub-paragraph (f) or (g) of the said paragraph 2.

(3) A person shall not cease to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies under this Article if he is such a person as is mentioned in sub-paragraph (b) of paragraph 1 of Section 4 of Annex D, and loss of citizenship of the United Kingdom and Colonies would render him stateless.

2. Subject to the proviso to subsection (1) of section four of the Cyprus Act, 1960, any citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies who is granted citizenship of the Republic of Cyprus in pursuance of an application such as is referred to in Section 4, 5 or 6 of Annex D shall thereupon cease to be a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies.

3. Subsection (3) of section four of the Cyprus Act, 1960, shall apply to those persons who cease to be citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies under Article 1 of this Order.

4. This Order may be cited as the British Nationality (Cyprus) Order, 1960, and shall come into operation on the sixteenth day of February, 1961.

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