STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1964 No. 1399

CONSULAR RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

ADMINISTRATION OF ESTATES

POWERS OF ENTRY IN RELATION TO CONSULAR OFFICES

The Consular Conventions (Kingdom of Belgium) Order 1964

Made - - - 2nd September 1964
Laid before Parliament 8th September 1964
Coming into Operation 1st October 1964

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 2nd day of September 1964

Present.

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by section 6(1) of the Consular Conventions Act 1949(a) (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") it is enacted that Her Majesty may by Order in Council direct that sections 1 and 2 or section 4 of the Act (which provide for the exercise by consular officers of certain powers in relation to the property of deceased persons, and for the restriction of the powers of entry in relation to consular offices) shall apply to any foreign State specified in the Order, being a State with which a Consular Convention providing for matters for which provision is made by those sections has been concluded by Her Majesty:

And whereas a Consular Convention between Her Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and His Majesty the King of the Belgians was signed at Brussels on 8th March 1961(h) which provides for matters for which provision is made in the said sections 1 and 2 and section 4, and which enters into force on the thirtieth day after the date of exchange of instruments of ratification:

And whereas instruments of ratification were exchanged on 1st September 1964.

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in that behalf by the Act or otherwise in Her Majesty vested, is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:

- 1. Sections 1 and 2 and section 4 of the Act shall apply to the Kingdom of Belgium.
- 2. This Order may be cited as the Consular Conventions (Kingdom of Belgium) Order 1964. It shall come into operation on 1st October 1964.

W. G. Agnew.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order, but is intended to convey its general purport.)

This Order provides for the application of sections 1, 2 and 4 of the Consular Conventions Act 1949 to the Kingdom of Belgium and thus enables Her Majesty to give effect to the Consular Convention between the United Kingdom and the Kingdom of Belgium which was signed at Brussels on 8th March 1961 (Cmnd. 1426).

The purport of sections 1, 2 and 4 of the Act is stated in the preamble to this Order. Sections 1 and 4 relate to England and, with the modifications contained in section 7 of the Act, to Northern Ireland; sections 2 and 4 relate to Scotland.