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**The Oil in Navigable Waters (Prohibited Sea Areas)  
(Amendment) Order 1972***Made* - - - 23rd October 1972*Laid before Parliament* 31st October 1972*Coming into Operation* 21st November 1972

The Secretary of State, in exercise of powers conferred by section 2(7) of the Oil in Navigable Waters Act 1955(a), as amended by the Oil in Navigable Waters Act 1963(b), and now vested in him (c) and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Oil in Navigable Waters (Prohibited Sea Areas) (Amendment) Order 1972 and shall come into operation on 21st November 1972.

2. The Oil in Navigable Waters (Prohibited Sea Areas) Order 1967(d), as amended (e), shall have effect subject to the further amendment that after the words “the United Arab Republic” in paragraph 2(6) of Schedule 1 thereof there shall be inserted the word “Libya”.

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Department of Trade and Industry.

23rd October 1972.

(a) 1955 c.25.

(b) 1963 c.28.

(c) S.I. 1965/145, 1970/1537 (1965 I, p. 438; 1970 III, p. 5293).

(d) S.I. 1967/709 (1967 II, p. 2142).

(e) The amendments do not relate expressly to the subject matter of this Order.

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This Note is not part of the Order.)*

Libya accepted, with effect from 18th May 1972, the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution of the Sea by Oil 1954, as amended in 1962.

This Order accordingly amends the Oil in Navigable Waters (Prohibited Sea Areas) Order 1967 as amended (which gives effect to the extension of prohibited sea areas introduced by the amendments of the Convention) to include amongst the prohibited sea areas specified by that Order the areas of the Mediterranean lying within 100 miles from the nearest land along the coasts of Libya.

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