STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1972 No. 1666

IMMIGRATION

The Immigration (Landing and Embarkation Cards) Order 1972

Made - - - 1st November 1972 Coming into Operation 1st January 1973

In exercise of the powers conferred upon me by paragraph 5 of Schedule 2 to the Immigration Act 1971(a), I hereby make the following Order:—

- 1. This Order may be cited as the Immigration (Landing and Embarkation Cards) Order 1972 and shall come into operation on 1st January 1973.
 - 2.—(1) In this Order—
 "alien" has the same meaning as in the British Nationality Act 1948(b).
- (2) The Interpretation Act 1889(c) shall apply to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
- 3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) of this Article, every alien of or over the age of 16 years who disembarks or embarks in the United Kingdom shall, if so required by an immigration officer, produce to that officer a landing or, as the case may be, an embarkation card in such form as the Secretary of State may direct, which shall be supplied for the purpose by the owners or agents of the ship or aircraft concerned.
- (2) This Article shall not apply to any person landing or seeking to land from a ship coming from a place in the common travel area or from an aircraft coming from a place in the United Kingdom and Islands or embarking or seeking to embark on a ship or aircraft bound for a place in the common travel area, and shall not apply to a person landing or seeking to land from an aircraft coming from a place in the Republic of Ireland unless that person entered that Republic in the course of a journey to the United Kingdom which began outside the common travel area and was not given leave to land in that Republic in accordance with the law in force there.

Robert Carr,
One of Her Majesty's Principal
Secretaries of State.

Home Office, Whitehall. 1st November 1972.

(a) 1971 c. 77.

(b) 1948 c. 56.

(c) 1889 c. 63.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order requires any alien (which term does not include a citizen of the Republic of Ireland) of or over the age of 16 years who disembarks or embarks in the United Kingdom (subject to the exceptions mentioned below) to produce, if so required, to an immigration officer, a landing or embarkation card in such form as the Secretary of State may direct and requires the owners or agents of the ship or aircraft concerned to supply such cards for this purpose. The Order replaces the provisions of Article 7(1)(b) of the Aliens Order 1953 (S.I. 1953/1671) which ceases to have effect on the coming into force of the Immigration Act 1971. The Order does not apply to any person landing from a ship coming from the common travel area (that is to say the area comprising the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Republic of Ireland) or from an aircraft coming from the United Kingdom or Islands nor to any person embarking on a ship or aircraft bound for a place in the common travel area. In relation to persons landing from an aircraft coming from the Republic of Ireland, it only applies to persons who entered the Republic in the course of a journey to the United Kingdom which began outside the common travel area and were not given leave to land in the Republic.

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