STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 1502

ANIMALS

The Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976 (Variation) Order 1985

Made - - - - - 27th September 1985

Laid before Parliament 27th September 1985

Coming into Operation 30th September 1985

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 3 and 11 of the Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, after consulting a scientific authority, hereby makes the following order:—

Citation and commencement

1. This order may be cited as the Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976 (Variation) Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 30th September 1985.

Variation of the 1983 order

2. The Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976 (Modification) Order 1983(b) shall be varied by the omission from article 4 of paragraph (2).

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State.

William Waldegrave,
Minister for the Environment,
Countryside and Local Government,
Department of the Environment.

27th September 1985.

⁽a) 1976 c. 72; section 3 was amended by the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (c. 69), section 15(1) and Schedule 10, paragraph 4.

⁽b) S.I. 1983/1609.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This order varies the Endangered Species (Import and Export) Act 1976 (Modification) Order 1983, which gave effect to Council Directive No. 83/129/EEC (OJ No. L91, 9.4.1983, p. 30).

The 1983 order included the hooded and harp seal in Schedule 3 to the 1976 Act so that the import and export of certain parts and products of these animals were prohibited in order to promote their conservation.

Article 4(2) of the 1983 order provided that the order should cease to have effect on 1st October 1985. This order removes that limitation and so continues the 1983 order in force indefinitely. It gives effect to Council Directive No. 85/444/EEC (OJ No. L259, 1.10.85, p. 70).

Copies of the Official Journal of the European Communities containing the above-mentioned directives may be obtained from Her Majesty's Stationery Office.

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