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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1990 No. 599**

**MARRIAGE**

**The Foreign Marriage (Armed Forces) (Amendment) Order 1990**

*Made* - - - - *14th March 1990*  
*Laid before Parliament* *22nd March 1990*  
*Coming into force* - - *12th April 1990*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 14th day of March 1990

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by sections 18(2) and (3), 21(1) and 22(6) of the Foreign Marriage Act 1892(1), as amended by sections 2, 3, 4(2) and 6 of the Foreign Marriage Act 1947(2), and by section 6 of the Foreign Marriage (Amendment) Act 1988(3), 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. This Order may be cited as the Foreign Marriage (Armed Forces) (Amendment) Order 1990 and shall come into force on 12th April 1990.

2. For Article 2 of the Foreign Marriage (Armed Forces) Order 1964(4) there shall be substituted the following:

- “2. The capacities referred to in Article 1 of this Order are those of persons who—
- (a) are employed with the medical or dental branches of the Royal Navy as officers;
  - (b) are members of the Women's Royal Naval Service;
  - (c) are members of Queen Alexandra's Royal Naval Nursing Service or any reserve thereof;
  - (d) are members of a Voluntary Aid Detachment under the Ministry of Defence;
  - (e) are serving Her Majesty, or are otherwise employed in such capacities connected with Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces as may be specified by regulations

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(1) 1892 c. 23.  
(2) 1947 c. 33.  
(3) 1988 c. 44.  
(4) S.I.1964/1000.

made by the Defence Council, being persons serving or employed under Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom;

- (f) are employed by, or are in the service of, any naval, military, or air force organisation so specified to which Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom is a party, and are employed by or in the service of that organisation by reason of that Government being a party thereto;
- (g) are employed by, or are members of, any other organisation so specified which operates in connection with Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces;
- (h) for the purposes of their profession or employment, are attached to or accompany any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces in pursuance of an authorisation granted by or on behalf of the Defence Council;
- (i) form part of the families of members of any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces and are residing with them or about to reside or departing after residing with them;
- (j) form part of the families of persons falling within paragraphs (e) to (i) of this Article and are residing with them or about to reside or departing after residing with them;
- (k) are employed by members of any of Her Majesty's naval, military or air forces;
- (l) are employed by persons falling within paragraphs (e) to (i) of this Article;
- (m) form part of the families of persons falling within paragraphs (k) and (l) and are residing with them or about to reside or departing after residing with them.”.

*G.I. de Deney*  
Clerk of the Privy Council

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order is made under the Foreign Marriage Acts 1892 to 1947 and the Foreign Marriage (Amendment) Act 1988.

Section 22 of the Foreign Marriage Act 1892, as amended by the Foreign Marriage Act 1947 and the Foreign Marriage (Amendment) Act 1988, provides that marriages celebrated before a chaplain in a foreign territory shall be as valid as if celebrated in the United Kingdom, provided that at least one of the parties is a member of the naval, military or air forces of Her Majesty serving in that territory, or is employed in that territory in such other capacity as may be prescribed. This Order extends the list of persons prescribed in the Foreign Marriage (Armed Forces) Order 1964 to whom, in addition to members of the armed forces, section 22 is to apply.