



Aliens Restriction (Amendment) Act 1919

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CONTINUANCE AND EXTENSION OF EMERGENCY POWERS

1 Continuanance of emergency powers

- (1) The powers which under subsection (1) of section one of the Aliens Restriction Act, 1914 (which Act, as amended by this Act, is hereinafter in this Act referred to as the principal Act), are exercisable with respect to aliens at any time when a state of war exists between His Majesty and any foreign power, or when it appears that an occasion of imminent national danger or great emergency has arisen, shall, for a period of one year after the passing of this Act, be exercisable, not only in those circumstances, but at any time; and accordingly that subsection shall, for such period as aforesaid, have effect as though the words "at any time when a state of war exists " between His Majesty and any foreign power, or when it " appears that an occasion of imminent national danger or " great emergency has arisen " were omitted.
- (2) Any order made under the principal Act during the currency of this section shall be laid before each House of Parliament forthwith, and, if an address is presented to His Majesty by either House of Parliament within the next subsequent twenty-one days on which that House has sat after any such order is laid before it praying that the order may be annulled, His Majesty in Council may annul the order, and it shall thenceforth be void, but without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done thereunder :

Provided that this provision shall not apply in the case of an order the operation of which is limited to a time when a state of war exists between His Majesty and any foreign power, or when it appears that an occasion of imminent national danger or great emergency has arisen.

2 Extension of powers

- (1) Subsection (1) of section one of the principal Act shall be amended by the addition at the end thereof of the following paragraph:—
 - “(1) for determining what nationality is to be ascribed to aliens in doubtful circumstances, and for disregarding, in the case of any person

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against whom a deportation or expulsion order has been made, any subsequent change of nationality.”

- (2) For the purpose of enforcing the provisions of any Treaty of Peace concluded or to be concluded between His Majesty and any Power with which His Majesty was at war in the year nineteen hundred and eighteen, His Majesty may by Order in Council under the principal Act make regulations requiring information to be given as to the property, liabilities, and interests of former enemy aliens; and for preventing (without notice or authority) the transfer of or other dealings with the property of such aliens.