

National Loans Act 1968

1968 CHAPTER 13

National debt

13 Existing national debt

- (1) All payments to be made in respect of existing national debt, being payments which are charged on the Consolidated Fund, shall be charged on and paid out of the National Loans Fund.
- (2) Subsection (1) of this section shall not be in derogation of the said charge on the Consolidated Fund, or of the provisions of section 1 of the Consolidated Fund Act 1816 (which makes the national debt a prior charge on the Consolidated Fund), and accordingly all such payments shall be charged on the National Loans Fund with recourse to the Consolidated Fund.
- (3) In this section "existing national debt" means all securities of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom outstanding on 31st March 1968, including Treasury Bills and Ways and Means advances, and all other liabilities in respect of money borrowed by Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom and outstanding on 31st March 1968, and those liabilities include, as well as payments in respect of principal and interest, payments for the purpose of any sinking fund and any other payments due under the terms on which any such security was issued, or any such money was borrowed.
- (4) Any expenses incurred in connection with the raising of money or the issue, repayment or redemption of securities which represent expenses incurred, whether before or after the coming into force of this section, in respect of existing national debt shall be paid out of the National Loans Fund, with recourse to the Consolidated Fund.
- (5) Section 4 of the National Loans Act 1939 (power of trustees and others to invest in government securities) shall cease to have effect, but not so as to invalidate anything done before the coming into force of this Act.
- (6) Schedule 5 to this Act shall have effect for the purpose of making amendments consequential on this and the last foregoing section.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

(7) Any reference in any enactment passed before this Act to securities which are charged on the Consolidated Fund shall include a reference to securities which are charged on the National Loans Fund with recourse to the Consolidated Fund; and any reference in any such enactment to securities which are directly charged on the Consolidated Fund shall be construed in a corresponding manner.