



Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988

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PART I

COPYRIGHT

CHAPTER VI

REMEDIES FOR INFRINGEMENT

Provision for preventing importation of infringing copies

111 Infringing copies may be treated as prohibited goods

- (1) The owner of the copyright in a published literary, dramatic or musical work may give notice in writing to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise—
 - (a) that he is the owner of the copyright in the work, and
 - (b) that he requests the Commissioners, for a period specified in the notice, to treat as prohibited goods printed copies of the work which are infringing copies.
- (2) The period specified in a notice under subsection (1) shall not exceed five years and shall not extend beyond the period for which copyright is to subsist.
- (3) The owner of the copyright in a sound recording or film may give notice in writing to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise—
 - (a) that he is the owner of the copyright in the work,
 - (b) that infringing copies of the work are expected to arrive in the United Kingdom at a time and a place specified in the notice, and
 - (c) that he requests the Commissioners to treat the copies as prohibited goods.
- (4) When a notice is in force under this section the importation of goods to which the notice relates, otherwise than by a person for his private and domestic use, is prohibited; but a person is not by reason of the prohibition liable to any penalty other than forfeiture of the goods.