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VISITING FORCES

The Visiting Forces (Designation) (Colonies) Order, 1954

Made - - - - 13th May 1954
Coming into Operation 12th June 1954

At the Court of Saint James, the 13th day of May, 1954

Present,

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret.

His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester.

Lord President Sir Walter Monckton

Earl Alexander of Tunis Mr. Macleod

Whereas Her Majesty, in pursuance of the Regency Acts, 1937 to 1953, was pleased, by Letters Patent dated the twentieth day of November, 1953, to delegate to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret, His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood, or any two or more of them, as Counsellors of State, full power and authority during the period of Her Majesty's absence from the United Kingdom to summon and hold on Her Majesty's behalf Her Privy Council and to signify thereat Her Majesty's approval of anything for which Her Majesty's approval in Council is required:

And Whereas it is expedient to extend the Visiting Forces (Designation) Order, 1954(1)., to the territories mentioned in the Schedule to this Order:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret and His Royal Highness The Duke of Gloucester, being authorised thereto by the said Letters Patent and in exercise of the powers conferred on Her Majesty by subsection (1) of section 15 of the Visiting Forces Act, 1952, do hereby, by and with the advice of Her Majesty's Privy Council, on Her Majesty's behalf order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The Visiting Forces (Designation) Order, 1954, shall extend to each of the territories mentioned in the Schedule to this Order:

Provided that for the purposes of its extension to any of those territories the Visiting Forces (Designation) Order, 1954, shall have effect as if—

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- (a) in section 1 thereof for the words "Each of the countries specified in the Schedule to this Order" there were substituted the words "The United States of America";
- (b) the Schedule thereto was omitted; and
- (c) the reference in section 1 thereof to the Visiting Forces Act, 1952, was a reference to that Act as it extends to that territory by virtue of the Visiting Forces Act (Application to Colonies) Order, 1954(2).
- **2.**—(1) This Order may be cited as the Visiting Forces (Designation) (Colonies) Order, 1954, and shall come into operation on the twelfth day of June, 1954.
- (2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, shall apply for the purpose of interpreting this Order as it applies for the purpose of interpreting an Act of Parliament.

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SCHEDULE

Cyprus.

Hong Kong.

Malta.

(Reference in this Schedule to any territory of which there are dependencies shall be construed as including a reference to such dependencies).

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 1 (1) of the Visiting Forces Act, 1952, provides that references in the Act to a country to which a provision of the Act applies are references to Commonwealth countries and to any country designated for the purposes of that provision by Order in Council. The Visiting Forces (Designation) Order, 1954, designates certain countries including the United States of America. The purpose of this Order is to extend to certain Colonial territories the provisions of the Visiting Forces (Designation) Order, 1954, in so far as those provisions relate to the United States of America.