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CONSULAR RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

The Consular Conventions (United States of Mexico) Order, 1955

Made - - - - 17th March 1955
Laid before Parliament 22nd March 1955
Coming into Operation 1st April 1955

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 17th day of March, 1955

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Whereas by Section 6(1) of the Consular Conventions Act, 1949, (hereinafter referred to as "the Act") it is enacted that Her Majesty may by Order in Council direct that Sections one and two or Section four of the Act (which provide for the exercise by consular officers of certain powers in relation to the property of deceased persons, and for the restriction of the powers of entry in relation to consular offices) shall apply to any foreign State specified in the Order, being a State with which a Consular Convention providing for matters for which provision is made by those Sections has been concluded by Her Majesty;

And Whereas a Consular Convention(1) (hereinafter referred to as "the Convention") between Her Majesty in respect of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the President of the United States of Mexico was signed at Mexico City on the 20th day of March, 1954, which provides for matters for which provision is made in the said Sections one and two and Section four, and which takes effect on the thirtieth day after the date of exchange of instruments of ratification;

And Whereas instruments of ratification were exchanged on the 2nd day of March, 1955:

Now, therefore, Her Majesty, by virtue and in exercise of the powers in this behalf conferred on Her by the Act 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. Sections one and two and Section four of the Act shall apply to the United States of Mexico.
- **2.** This Order may be cited as the Consular Conventions (United States of Mexico) Order, 1955. It shall come into operation on the 1st day of April, 1955.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Order in Council provides for the application of Sections one, two and four of the Consular Conventions Act, 1949, to the United States of Mexico and thus enables Her Majesty to give effect to the Consular Convention between the United Kingdom and Mexico which was signed at Mexico City on 20th March, 1954 (Cmd. 9162), and which enters into force on 1st April, 1955.

The purport of Sections one, two and four of the Act is stated in the preamble to this Order. Sections one and four relate to England and, with the modifications contained in Section seven of the Act, to Northern Ireland; Sections two and four relate to Scotland.