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TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1918.

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 27th day of February 1918.

PRESENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council, dated the twenty-eighth day of November nineteen hundred and fourteen, His Majesty was pleased to make regulations (called the "Defence of the Realm Regulations") under the Defence of the Realm Consolidation Act, 1914, for securing the public safety and the defence of the realm:

And whereas the said Act has been amended by the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) Act, 1915, the Defence of the Realm (Amendment) (No. 2) Act, 1915, and the Munitions of War Act, 1915, and other enactments:

And whereas the said regulations have been amended by various subsequent Orders in Council:

And whereas it is expedient further to amend the said regulations in manner hereinafter appearing:

Now, therefore, His Majesty is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, that the following amendments be made in the said regulations:—

1. In Regulation 8E for the words "Minister of Munitions" there shall be substituted the words "Director-General of National Service," for the word "Minister" there shall be substituted the words "Director-General."

2. After Regulation 8E there shall be inserted the following regulation:—

"8EE. For the purpose of enabling His Majesty's Stationery Office to obtain stores and other articles, and the execution of printing and other work, required for the service of His Majesty and the various Government Departments, the Treasury may by order apply, with the necessary adaptations, to the Controller of His Majesty's Stationery Office the provisions of Regulations 2B, 2BB, 7, 8, 8A, 15C, 29A and 34A, conferring powers on the Admiralty, Army Council, and Minister of Munitions, and the regulations so applied and adapted shall have effect as if they formed part of these regulations."

3. In the second paragraph of Regulation 27A after the words "belonging to" there shall be inserted the words "or of any document which has in confidence been communicated by."

4. At the end of Regulation 66 the following paragraph shall be inserted:—

"Where a regulation or provision of a regulation has been amended by the substitution of one Government Department or authority for another as the authority to exercise any power under the regulation or provision the amendment shall not affect any order made, licence or other instrument issued, or action taken in pursuance of the power by the original authority, but any such order, licence or instrument shall until revoked or amended continue in force as if it had been made or issued by the substituted authority,