

any Government department or authority, whether conferred by statute or otherwise, as His Majesty may by Order in Council transfer to him or authorise him to exercise or perform concurrently with or in consultation with the Government department or authority concerned:

And whereas it is provided by section 13 of the New Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, as applied by subsection (2) of section 2 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, that on the termination of a period of twelve months after the conclusion of the present war, or such earlier date as may be fixed by His Majesty in Council, any powers or duties which have been transferred to the Director-General under the last-mentioned Act, shall, without prejudice to any action taken in pursuance of those powers and duties, revert to the department or authority from which they were transferred:

And whereas by virtue of section 14 of the new Ministries and Secretaries Act, 1916, as applied by subsection (2) of section 2 of the Ministry of National Service Act, 1917, any Order in Council made for the purposes of the last-mentioned Act may be added to, varied or revoked by a subsequent Order in Council:

And whereas by Order in Council made the twenty-third day of October, nineteen hundred and seventeen, the powers and duties of the Army Council or the Secretary of State under certain enactments mentioned in Part I. of the Schedule to the said Order were transferred to the Director-General, and the Director-General was authorised to exercise concurrently with the Army Council or the Secretary of State, as the case might be, the powers conferred by certain enactments mentioned in Part II. of the Schedule to the said Order:

And whereas it is expedient that the said Order should be varied in manner herein-after ordered:

Now, therefore, His Majesty in pursuance of the powers conferred on Him by the said recited Acts and of all other powers enabling Him in

that behalf, is pleased, by and with the advice of His Privy Council, to order, and it is hereby ordered, as follows:—

1. The said Order in Council of the twenty-third day of October, nineteen hundred and seventeen, is hereby revoked except in so far as it relates to the transfer to the Director-General of the powers and duties of the Army Council under the enactments mentioned in Part I. of the Schedule to this Order, and the powers and duties conferred and imposed on the Army Council or Secretary of State by the enactments mentioned in Part I. of the Schedule to the said Order, other than the enactments mentioned in Part I. of the Schedule to this Order, and now by virtue of the said Order vested in the Director-General, shall as from the date on which this Order comes into operation revert to the Army Council and the Secretary of State, respectively.

2. The Director-General may exercise concurrently with the Army Council or Secretary of State as the case may be, the powers conferred by the enactments mentioned in Part II. of the Schedule to this Order, and those enactments shall accordingly be construed and have effect as if the Director-General were specified therein in addition to the Army Council or the Secretary of State as the case may be.

3. A reference to any of the enactments mentioned in the Schedule to this Order shall be deemed to include a reference to any of those enactments as applied to any other subject matter by any other enactments.

4. This Order shall come into operation on the 18th day of December, 1918.

5. (1) This Order may be cited as the Ministry of National Service Order, 1917 (Amendment) Order, 1918.

(2) The Interpretation Act, 1889, applies to the interpretation of this Order as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.

Almeric FitzRoy.

SCHEDULE.

PART I.

Enactments relating to Powers and Duties, transfer of which is not revoked.

Enactment.	Subject-matter of Enactment.	Authority under Enactment.
The Military Service Act, 1916:		
s. 2 (2)	Powers in relation to certificates of exemption...	The Army Council
s. 3 (1)	Powers in relation to certificates of exemption...	The Army Council
Second Schedule (provision as to appeal).	Power to authorise appeals	The Army Council
The Military Service Act, 1916 (Sess. 2):		
s. 10 (1)	Power to authorise persons to require production of certificates of exemption	The Army Council